WEATHER
Colder Sunday, probably rain turning to snow; colder Monday; probably fair.

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INDICT CROWELL FOR WAR CAMP FRAUDS

The WEEK

By A. M. BRAYTON

ATTENTION of the country has been occupied during the week by three major considerations; the Borah resolution for an economic and land armament conference, the new crisis in the near east, and alleged atrocities of the Ku Klux Klan in Louisiana.

Perhaps of these Senator Borah's resolution comes home to us with the deepest meaning. Borah has impressed himself upon the country as the biggest of the Roosevelt school of progressives, and although Senator Johnson is more like Roosevelt in temperament, perhaps Borah has more of the Roosevelt characteristics which enabled the Sage of Oyster Bay to change front abruptly without loss of prestige. Borah is the first of the so-called "irreconcilables," who on the progressive side include also Johnson and La Follette, to recognize the impossibility of keeping America aloof from world problems affecting Europe. For this he has been bitterly assailed by his old colleagues of both the progressive and conservative faction.

In his confession of faith, Senator Borah says that which many of us have been contending since the peace conference at Versailles.

"Unless the reparations question is settled, and with it the limitation of armament confirmed and broadened, war is imminent.

"It is an American question and not merely a European one.

"Our prosperity, our safety, our future are all involved. That is why we should meet and settle it."

Borah added the irrefutable observation that "the United States is now more deeply involved in European affairs than ever in its history." One need only to look at Lausanne, at Russia, at American soldiers on the Rhine, to understand how true this is.

One may pass over the grandiloquent speech of Senator Johnson assailing Senator Borah. It contains no new thought. It might have been taken from speeches found in the Congressional Record, made by any one of a dozen irreconcilables during the senate debate on the league of nations, prior to the elections of 1920.

But we cannot pass so lightly the comment of President Harding in a letter to Senator Lodge, in which the president opposed the Borah resolution, not because of what he aims at, but for diplomatic reasons. In saying that the Borah resolution suggests the meaning that the executive branch of the government is "not fully alive to a world situation which is of deep concern to the United States," the president notifies the country that he and Secretary Hughes are awake to the peril which Senator Borah sees.

More significant still is the president's remark that if congress desires to help in the present situation it should "modify the laws which prevent American representation on the reparations commission and prohibit the American debt commission from granting more liberal funding terms to America's world war debtors."

Here, in so many words, the president of the United States tells congress that we must take hold of this reparations situation which is the fundamental thing at the bottom of Europe's chaos. His stand upon it represents a reversal of opinion on his part as abrupt as that in which Senator Borah, at last, but emphatically acknowledges that we must interest ourselves in Europe's economic distress.

And so, while they quarrel over the method, at last we have leading minds in both progressive and conservative groups in the senate coming together upon America's greatest problem.

President Harding says to Senator Borah, however, that his procedure is wrong, and that his resolution would be futile unless it shall await the action of the president in determining whether European countries would enter into such a conference as America, its own domestic interest considered, would be able to offer, and here Senator Borah arose to the occasion and withdrew his resolution.

Incidentally, a French view has been advanced suggesting that the way out is for America to be represented in the coming economic conference already arranged by European nations. Our government will not be interested in this suggestion, because it has had nothing to do with establishing the scope of that conference. The French suggestion may in part have been inspired by the thought that were we to accept it we would have involved ourselves in a purely economic European conference in which the question of further disarmament, distasteful to French militarists, could not be discussed.

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Failure of the Lausanne conference gives the world another war scare. Turkey refuses to consent to international courts to provide justice for foreigners and minorities in Turkish territory, and which are proposed to take the place of pre-war commitments now repudiated by Turkey. England insists that this is the rock upon which the conference splits.

The United States joins England and France in demanding these concessions.

Turkey also refuses to concede to Great Britain oil concessions at Mosul founded on conversations entered into

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BRITISH DEMAND LOWER REPARATIONS BILL

WILL INSIST ON SETTLING MATTER NOW

To Demand that Germany be Given Two to Four Year Moratorium in Payment

WILL NOT APPROVE FRENCH PLAN FOR RUHR SEIZURE

Declared to Accept Hughes Position as Support of British Stand

LONDON.—By the Associated Press.—Since the adjournment of the allied premiers' meeting here on December 11, there has been a flood of rumors concerning the solution of the deadlock on reparations that prime minister Bonar Law would propose when the allied representatives resumed their discussions in Paris.

Saturday an authoritative statement was issued from official circles saying that the British premier would go to Paris next Monday, armed with a plan for a complete settlement of Germany's war obligations.

Immediately after the London breakdown, Downing street hoped the French attitude would change, but the last fortnight had discouraged this hope with the result that Mr. Bonar Law yesterday presented to his cabinet, a plan which it is stated comprises the utmost limit of British concessions.

The British Plan

In its broad principles the plan is said to be as follows:

First—Any reparations program agreed upon in Paris must be a final one which will give an opportunity for the general economic reconstruction of Europe.

Second—A moratorium for Germany is essential for a period of from two to four years in which time Germany must balance her budget, stabilize the mark and undergo general financial reform under allied supervision but not under allied receivership.

Third—Reduction of the reparations total to approximately 2,500,000,000 pounds which, if not forthcoming after Germany is given a fair chance, will be obtained by an ascending scale of economic penalties.

It is stated that Premier Poincare will probably be surprised to find Mr. Bonar Law in full sympathy with him against German evasion and nonfulfillment of pledges, the only differences of opinion being in the method of obtaining payments, the British being convinced that French plans for control of German production will result in nothing but serious economic upheavals.

Favor Hughes Stand

The speech of Secretary of State Hughes Friday night is taken by the British as full support of their stand and they consider that his statement places France in an isolated position.

The absence of Premier Mussolini will not affect the Paris conference, the British believe.

Inasmuch as the real allied differences lie between the French and the English, the Italian premier will not be needed, according to the British view, unless a final agreement is reached, when he could be hurriedly summoned to affix his signature.

As leader of the fascisti movement, Signor Mussolini attracts popular attention, but it is pointed out that the presence of the Belgian premier, M. Theunis, is far more essential, for in Paris, Belgium is expected to seize upon every point likely to bring France and Great Britain in accord.

No Hope of U. S. Aid

British officials are unwilling to consider a deadlock at Paris. The allied representatives, they say, must agree for, it is pointed out, there is no hope of assistance from America.

The British debt funding commission is not expected to obtain results which could have a beneficial effect upon the Paris negotiations by January 15, when the temporary moratorium for Germany ends and the original reparations schedule of 1921, involving the payment of 100,000,000 pounds annually, is again effective, not mentioning the overdue payments which would bring Germany's present indebtedness to Great Britain along to a total of 158,000,000 pounds.

Should no agreement be reached by January 15, and should Premier Poin-

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PROSPECTS BRIGHT FOR 1923

"WHO LET YOU IN?" SAYS TURK TO U. S. ENVOY AT LAUSANNE

LAUSANNE.—By The Associated Press.—"I thought the Americans were here simply as observers; I did not know they were having any part in this treaty," was the caustic remark made by Riaz Nur Bey, the second Turkish delegate Saturday in the sub-commission on minorities. This was in the way of retort when the chairman of the sub-commission, Signor Montagna, alluded to the position the Americans took on Friday in presenting a memorandum urging that provision be made so that refugees from Turkey could be enabled to return and reclaim their property there.

CONSERVATION CLUB OPPOSES WINNESHIEK DRAINAGE PROJECT

Officers of Local Club to Attend Hearing at Prairie du Chien Wednesday

CONSERVATIONISTS AROUSED OVER THE COMMERCIAL PLAN

Would Destroy Best Breeding Ground Along the River

Fighting to save 13,000 acres of swamp land and sloughs regarded as one of the best breeding places for wild game and fish on the upper river, officers of the La Crosse County Conservation club will go to Prairie du Chien Wednesday to appear in opposition to the Winneshiek bottoms drainage project with other conservationists of Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota.

Louis Hirshheimer, president and H. E. F. Schurz, secretary of the local club will appear at the hearing in opposition to the drainage project. Prof. L. H. Pammel, noted conservationist of Ames, Iowa, and others will be there to oppose the proposition.

The Winneshiek bottoms, proposed to be drained and converted into farm land, lie between De Soto and Lynxville. For years it has been the greatest duck hunting territory in this vicinity and the sloughs furnish an ideal breeding place for fish and mussels. The conservationists will oppose the drainage project on the ground that it would spoil this great breeding place.

EX-SOLDIER'S BODY FOUND WITH TWO WOUNDS—HELD SLAIN

KENOSHA, Wis.—The body of John Paradis, a former soldier, was found half buried in the sand along the lake shore a mile and a half south of Kenosha, late Saturday. According to relatives he disappeared a week ago after drawing $500 from a bank here.

Investigation revealed that he had been shot through the left eye and just below the heart, which convinced authorities that he had been murdered. In his left hand he crushed a rosary.

WINONA TO HAVE DISTRICT OFFICE OF STATE DRY FORCE

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — District prohibition offices established by S. B. Qvale, state prohibition director, under a new prohibition enforcement plan in Minnesota will be opened Tuesday at St. Paul, Duluth, Winona, Fergus Falls, and Mankato. Prohibition agents from the office of M. L. Harney, prohibition enforcement officer will be assigned to take charge of each district.

U. S. AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN COMING BACK TO RESIGN

TOKIO.—By The Associated Jress.—Charles B. Warren, United States ambassador to Japan, will sail for America on the President Cleveland January 25, and, after necessary conferences with President Harding and Secretary Hughes, will present his resignation, he announced Saturday.

BUSINESS HERE GETTING BETTER BIG YEAR AHEAD

Businessmen of La Crosse Optimistic Regarding Outlook After a Successful Year

GRADUAL IMPROVEMENT IS SHOWN IN VARIOUS LINES

Gratifying Situation Revealed in Interview With Local Citizens

AT the close of a prosperous year for La Crosse, business men of this city united yesterday in predicting a continuation of good times for this community and a gradual return to normal business conditions following the readjustment period.

Optimistic and favorable statements were made by business men in various lines of industry yesterday, when asked to review the past year and give their opinions as to what 1923 has in store for La Crosse and the country at large.

Following are interviews with representative business men of the city, representing banking, manufacturing, jobbing and retail houses:

J. J. Felber, of the E. R. Barron company, and president of the Chamber of Commerce: "Nineteen hundred and twenty-two was most satisfactory. In spite of the difficulties in our manufacturing industries, and labor troubles with the railroads and decrease in the income of the farmer business in 1922 was better than many former years. Business conditions for the future look very bright and we are preparing for a large volume of business in 1923."

SEES BIG BUSINESS

A. P. Funk, president and treasurer of the La Crosse Rubber Mills company: "Replying to your request it is my pleasure to give you a brief statement of conditions as indicated to us in the rubber footwear industry. We sell our product to the retail and jobbing trade in almost all states in the union, and we consider the inquiries and sales in our business a good indication of general business conditions. During the period from July to December of this year, we have had almost 100 per cent normal sales which have come from more concentrated work than has been required in previous years to obtain these results, and I believe in the future business will be gotten more due to such efforts. In my opinion, surplus stocks of merchandise have been largely liquidated, and it seems to me that we have seen the worst of the business depression. It would appear, we are now on a basis upon which a substantial volume of business should be done and we should have a gradual return to normal conditions."

FARMER HOLDS KEY

G. W. Burton, president of the National Bank of La Crosse: "In the spring of 1922 many people thought we were entering into a period of large prosperity. This expectation has not as yet been realized. Business has improved in some lines but not in all. The situation in La Crosse is doubtless fairly typical of that in the country generally. A few concerns here are running at capacity. Many concerns are doing better than a year ago, and a few perhaps are noticing little improvement. The fact is that we shall not have general and abundant prosperity until the farmers' situation is remedied. His purchasing power is the real basis for prosperity in this country, and at present it is badly impaired. Sooner or later a cure will be found for the farmers' ills, and when that is done, a business boom will probably follow. We are fortunate in this immediate vicinity in the fact that our farmers are largely dairy men and have not felt the pinch which has closed in on farmers generally who depend upon one crop. Retail business in La Crosse appears to have been good in 1922, and the prospects continue favorable largely owing, I think, to the fact that our farmers are doing reasonably well."

STEADY READJUSTMENT

J. M. Holley, cashier of the State Bank of La Crosse: "Probably the most conspicuous feature of the year ending December 31st, 1922, has

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AND WHO DO YOU SUPPOSE DISABLED GUARDSHIP MOTOR?

NEW YORK.—With the subchaser Hansen, "federal dry navy," of the port of New York, tied up at the Battery with engines disabled, the Narrows was left unguarded Saturday night long enough for fifteen rum runners to slip into port with nearly $7,000,000 worth of liquor for New Year's the police department was advised.

Federal prohibition zone chief, Appleby, was amazed when he learned that the Hansen, flagship of his "dry fleet," was tied up at the pier.

"I thought she was out patrolling the Narrows," he explained.

ANNUAL CONVENTION OF W. R. MONTAGUE COMPANY LAST WEEK

Officers and Salesmen Hold Meeting Thursday and Friday

DISPLAY OF GOODS MADE BY COMPANY ONE OF FEATURES

Dance Thursday Night; Banquet Friday Evening

THE nineteenth annual convention of the W. R. Montague company of La Crosse which closed Friday night with a banquet and meeting at the Stoddard hotel, marked the end of a successful year in the company's history, according to the word of the president, Wallace R. Montague.

The officers of the organization, and all of the salesmen and field representatives were present at the convention which was held on Thursday and Friday. The convention is designed as an annual event at which all of the members of the various departments can get together and "talk shop."

One of the main features of the convention was the display of the goods manufactured by the company which was arranged in one of the rooms on the third floor of the factory. This display of candies, crackers and cookies was said by national experts who attended the convention, to be one of the most comprehensive and complete ever shown. All of the articles shown were arranged just as they appear in the retailer's store and none of them were made especially for the display—all were goods from stock.

The social side of the convention was ably taken care of by the annual ball which was given Thursday evening at Elks' hall by the employes of the company. The details of the dance and the program were in charge of the employes. The names of the dances were clever "take-offs" on the officers and involved the trade names of some of the confections manufactured by the company.

John S. Taylor of Minneapolis, an instructor in scientific salesmanship, was the principal speaker at the banquet Friday night. He gave an inspiring address on the essentials of success in selling goods, emphasizing the statement that in the long run it is character that counts in salesmanship, as in everything else.

CHARGE DEMOCRATS WITH FILIBUSTER TO BLOCK SUBSIDY BILL

WASHINGTON.—Charges of a filibuster against the administration shipping bill were made Saturday by republican leaders while the senate was debating the annual naval bill. Senators Heflin, Alabama, King, Utah, democrats, and others, had made long speeches on a variety of subjects and administration senators declared the purpose was to prolong the naval bill debate until farm credits legislation had been brought in, shutting out the shipping measure entirely.

KILLER OF POLISH PRESIDENT TO DIE

WARSAW—By The Associated Press—Niewadomski was sentenced to death Saturday for the assassination of President Narutowicz. The trial began Saturday morning, just two weeks after the assassination.

FORMER AIDE OF BAKER AND SIX BIG CONTRACTORS ACCUSED OF CONSPIRACY

FARMER ARRESTED FOR SENDING BOMB TO MARSHFIELD MAN

Refuses to Plead When Arraigned and Denies Guilt; Will Not Have Lawyer

DECLARES HE NEVER HAD TROUBLE WITH CHAPMAN

Held With Sixteen-year-old Son as Witness

WISCONSIN RAPIDS, Wis.—James Magnuson, a farmer living about six miles from Marshfield, Wis., was arraigned before Edward N. Pomainville, justice of the peace, Saturday night, charged with the murder of Mrs. James A. Chapman, wife of a Marshfield county commissioner.

Mrs. Chapman was killed and her husband's left arm blown off while they were opening a dynamite bomb, sent them through the mail disguised as a Christmas package.

Refuses to Plead

Magnuson refused to plead, declined to employ a lawyer, asserted his innocence and was remanded to jail until January 4, when the hearing will be continued.

Judge Pomainville asked him if he wished to plead guilty.

"What for?" Magnuson asked.

"To this charge of murder," the justice replied.

"That's a pretty serious charge for an innocent man."

"Do you want a lawyer?"

"No, what for?"

"Then I will have to hold you in jail for four days," the judge said.

"Well, I've got to wait in jail then; that's a long time for an innocent man," the prisoner replied.

During the examination, the farmer denied he had ever had trouble with Chapman. They had never met but twice, he said, once last spring when he went to the commissioner to ask for a rebate on a ditch assessment, and once last fall when he called on Chapman for the same purpose. The commissioner, he said, promised him a rebate last spring, but told him in the fall that he had applied too late.

County officials say Magnuson left the West Virginia coal fields eighteen years ago after some labor trouble and moved to Chicago, where he lived ten or twelve years. He then came to Wisconsin and has been here for five or six years.

His farm and livestock, they found, are practically unencumbered, his only outstanding obligation being a note for $200.

Son Also Held

Magnuson's son, Edward, 16 years old, is being held in jail as a material witness Saturday night, while the district attorney and postal inspectors search their farm in an effort to find clues by which the sending of the bomb can be traced.

The funeral of Mrs. Chapman, who died in a hospital Thursday, was held at the Methodist church here Saturday afternoon. It was one of the largest funerals in the history of Marshfield.

SOUTH DAKOTA FARM LEADER URGES FOUR NEEDS OF FARMERS

ABERDEEN, S. D.—W. S. Hill, president of the South Dakota farm bureau federation, in an address at the biennial banquet to legislators enroute to Pierre, given by the Aberdeen Commercial club, cited four things that will aid agriculture. These are:

Reduced freight rates on agricultural products.

Better finances for agricultude.

Co-operative marketing.

Farm organizations.

BURGLAR AND FOUR THIEVES WHIPPED IN DELAWARE JAIL

WILMINGTON, Del.—Five prisoners convicted this week for various crimes were punished at the ancient whipping post in the county workhouse Saturday. Although stripped to the bare back, the prisoners' castigation was not heavy evidently did not suffer much. A negro burglar got 20 lashes, 20 more to be given next Saturday. The rest, convicted of theft, got five strokes each.

DOLLAR-A-YEAR OFFICIALS FACE CRIMINAL TRIALS

Emergency Camp Construction Committee Members Said to Have Made Huge Sums

FIRST GUN IN FEDERAL ATTACK ON WAR GRAFT

Suits Involving Hundreds of Millions Reported Ready

WASHINGTON.—Benedict Crowell, former assistant secretary of war, and six war-time officials of the war department, were charged Saturday in an indictment returned by a special federal grand jury here with conspiracy to defraud the government and with delaying and defeating the administration of law.

The seven defendants were said by the jury to have participated unlawfully in the award of government contracts during the war and after the armistice, involving hundreds of millions of dollars, and in which some of their number had a pecuniary interest.

Big Contractors Named

The others named were:

William A. Starrett, New York, engineer and architect, said to have been a member of the firms of Starrett & Van Vleck, and Thompson-Starrett company, Inc., and later associated with the George A. Fuller company, general contractors. He was chairman of the war department's committee on emergency construction.

Morton C. Tuttle, Boston, said to be general manager of the Aberthaw construction company, and formerly a member of emergency construction committee.

Clemens W. Lundoff of Cleveland, said to be vice president and general manager of the Crowell-Lundoff-Little company and general manager of the Cleveland construction company and also a member of the emergency construction committee.

Clair Foster, reported to live in Canada, formerly associated with the Thompson-Starrett and the George A. Fuller companies, and also with the emergency construction committee.

John H. McGibbons, Baltimore and Chicago, said to have represented a bonding company issuing bonds for contractors and associated with the construction committee.

James A. Mears, Boston and Springfield, Mass., former general manager of Fred T. Ley and company, Inc., to whom the first contract for construction of a national army cantonment was awarded. He was secretary to the construction committee.

Others To Follow

The indictment was the first of its kind to be returned as a result of investigations of war frauds cases. Others are expected to follow completion of the presentation of evidence by department of justice agents which is said to be rapidly approaching the stage required for jury consideration.

The indictment recited the names numerous army officers who, it said, were deceived by the defendants, causing great waste of money and unjustifiable profits to the defendants. Officers regularly responsible for the administration of construction work who found themselves out of harmony with the plans of the conspirators, the indictment continues were replaced by others.

Daugherty's First Gun

The indictments are the first big salvo in Attorney General Daugherty's attack on many war-time contracts which the department of justice holds after exhaustive investigation to be fraudulent. Others are expected to follow, and it is estimated that the amounts involved when the attorney general's full program is under way will run into the hundreds of millions of dollars.

The emergency construction committee of the council of national defense, the indictments charge, was used as the vehicle for carrying out the alleged plan. The government charged that the alleged conspirators used their membership on the committee to unlawfully influence other officers of the United States in the plans and policies for carrying out the war-time construction program; to attain the "cost plus" system; to eliminate usual safeguards for the government and to defeat checking up and supervising the contractors.

Crowell Makes Denial

CLEVELAND, O.—Categorical denial that there was any conspiracy or

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ANNUAL PROGRAM CHURCH EXERCISES MARK WEEK-END

Dinners and Other Social Activities Feature the Passing of the Old Year

HOUSTON, Minn. — The Young People's society of the Stone Lutheran church will give the following program New Year's eve at 7:30: Hymn, choir and congregation; pfayer, Rev. Ostrem; song, choir; reading, Charlotte Vatting; duet, Mabel Vatting and Grace Sanden; solo, Helen Ostrem; recitation, Sigurd Vatting; chorus, choir; quartet, Mrs. Alfred Anderson, Nellie Olson, Herbert Olson and Oli Jore; piano duet, Bernice Kragness and C. P. Weld; soprano solo, Mildred Jargenson; address, Rev. Ostrem; chorus, soprano obligato, Bernice Kragness; hymn, choir and congregation.

New Year's night at St. Peter's church the following song service will be given: Song, St. Peter's choir; Scripture reading, Rev. Ostrem; song, Loony Valley choir; solo, Borghild Julsrud; quartet, Ingrad and Borghild Julsrud, Cora and Nina Peterson; song, Stone church choir; saxophone solo, Carl Iverson; duet, Ingrid and Borghild Julsrud; song, Loony Valley choir; address; song, Stone church choir; solo, Borghild Julsrud; song, St. Peter's choir.

Mrs. Henry Forsyth entertained Tuesday in honor of Miss Beth Reading, who is at home from her studies at Philadelphia.

The Dramatic club will go to Rushford Thursday and give the five-act comedy drama "Roxy."

Mrs. Art Dyer entertained at bridge Thursday afternoon.

Miss Gladys Kittleson entertained at a delightful party Wednesday evening at her home in Prospect Park.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Schonlau motored to La Crosse Friday.

Mrs. Earl Hummel of Blue Earth is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Ellen Almquist.

G. E. Steves is entertaining his father from La Crosse this week.

Mrs. John Newberry is visiting her mother at Bangor.

The Misses Verna Robinson, Marietta Lilly and Ethel McMillan are attending a week-end house party at Winona.

The O. E. S. entertained at a banquet Thursday evening in the lodge rooms.

Mr. and Mrs. Knute Kragners entertained at dinner Friday at one o'clock.

Dr. and Mrs. Jay Healy of Madison are guests of Mrs. James Healy.

Mrs. Carl Hanson and the Misses Dena and Marie Hanson went to Ostrander Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Benson of Canada arrived Friday to spend the winter with relatives.

Miss Sigrie Sanden entertained Thursday evening at her home in South Sherman a large number of her young friends.

Mrs. Ricca Johnson of Mapleton is the guest of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Abe Lewis entertained at a large party Saturday evening at their home in Budges Valley.

Miss Judith Eiken of Rushford was the guest of friends the fore part of the week.

At the annual election of the Mystic Circle lodge No. 78, A. F. and A. M., held Friday night at the lodge rooms, the following officers were elected: W. M., L. H. Briggs; S. W., Norman Forsyth; J. W., J. Lukkason; secretary, C. F. Schonlau; treasurer, Clarence Johnson; S. D., J. A. Leitz.

A Little Task

All a political party has to do for a couple of years now is hunt up some one with the financial genius of Hamilton, the patience of Lincoln, the foresight of Washington and the courage of Jackson.—Marinette Eagle Star.

Volstead is Undaunted

Andrew Volstead, as chairman of the house judiciary committee, is reported to be putting the last hours of his long service in congress to good use, in pushing a bill intended to speed up legal processes in this country. If he can do that, even to the extent which the Volstead act has slowed down drinking, and his name is attached to the new law also, his chances of handing the name down to remote posterity will be doubly assured.—Superior Telegram.

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$2 CLUB	Deposit $2 each week—in 50 weeks you have	100.00
$5 CLUB	Deposit $5 each week—in 50 weeks you have	250.00
$10 CLUB	Deposit $10 each week—in 50 weeks you have	500.00
$20 CLUB	Deposit $20 each week—in 50 weeks you have	1,000.00
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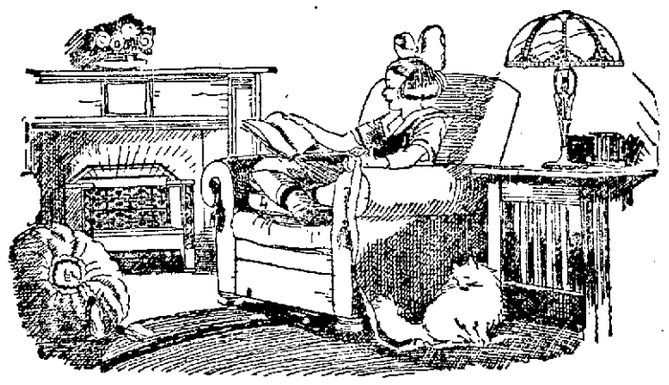

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Plain Crazy

IN adjoining columns Frank H. Simonds paints a gloomy, and we think on the whole a perfectly true portrait of the state of Europe. The last year has seen the "great powers" steadily on the down grade, with economic and social disruption close on their heels, and fiscal disaster just ahead. Greater dangers threaten in 1923. And yet, having envisaged this fearful picture, Mr. Simonds tranquilly relates that France will not abate a jot or tittle of her power to force Germany even in the face of a universally accepted conclusion that Germany cannot possibly pay the reparations demanded of her. Mr. Simonds has in the past well and truly presented the French point of view in the United States, but it seems incredible that this should be a proper impression of French policy and statesmanship. One cannot conceive that France would deliberately hurl Europe into the abyss—herself going down with it—in order to maintain exactly the hold on the whip which was given her by the treaty of Versailles. Either French statesmen are incredibly foolish or Mr. Simonds misconceives their attitude. France has ever had the name of being realistic and clear of head. And this is little short of idiocy.

It is no doubt true, as Mr. Simonds says, that France has put herself in such a position that she faces financial disaster unless Germany pays. But in the same breath he indicates that the French have no notion of giving up the very expensive devices by which they maintain their threat against Germany; that they will cling to them to have some guarantee of recompense from the defeated enemy. But what recompense can be had from Germany so long as most of what she can scrape up goes to pay the expenses of military occupation? And what can France do to save herself so long as all that Germany pays and a great deal more beside goes to pay for the biggest army in the world, for defiant ignoring of the naval disarmament treaty, and such unproductive, dangerous activities? If France is heading toward bankruptcy, it is French statesmanship that is steering. There is none but herself to blame.

One must think that Mr. Simonds is wrong. It is not possible that sane politicians are so bull-headed as this. Wars and international politics are the result of economic factors, of commercial and national self-interest. Nations are not like animals that sometimes will die themselves in order to slay antagonists. France has everything to lose, and practically nothing to gain by sticking to her present position. One cannot believe that were a feasible reparations plan offered by such an economic conference of experts as President Harding proposes, France would refuse to accept it. If she wants guarantees, surely the co-operation of all the powers is better insurance than the empty privilege of occupying the Ruhr valley, in a country industrially dead. Surely some such arrangement, even if payments which France needs are delayed for the life of a moratorium to Germany, is better than another war which, even should France win, would mean billions deeper in debt and thousands of lives lost.

The situation is sufficiently desperate. France must be able to see that attempts to settle it by further trampling militarism and violence will only make it worse.

Clear Gain Anyhow

SIX million and a half is asked by the administration to start the job of bringing thirteen existing war vessels into line with modern naval practice as developed by the lessons of the great war. That is a lot of money, but as the dispatch points out hitherto the United States has always followed the policy of scrapping its obsolete ships and building new ones, to keep the navy in line with the latest developments in fighting craft. To bring thirteen new ships off the ways would require a good many times $6,500,000. It may be true, as charged, that in the naval limitation treaty about all that happened was that the powers agreed not to build any more ships of a sort that had proven to be antiquated and comparatively useless against modern weapons. Yet the fact remains that until all the powers agreed to build no more none of them would have dared scrap existing ships, or stop their building programs. Whatever the naval and military experts may say, the result of the Washington conference was clear gain to the taxpayers. It may not stop wars, true enough; perhaps it does not even make them less probable, though this may be doubted. But it does save money. And that is something that few governments had ever done before.

Tom Sims Says:

Minneapolis man claims robbers left him in the street naked, which may be true because playing poker is against the law.

Aurora Borealis cut off the electric current in Louisville, Ky. It seems that the north pole came south for the winter.

Over in Ireland, Dublin will be called Bail Eatha Oliath, but conditions there are much better than this sounds.

You hear arguments over football coaches for 1923, but nobody cares who college presidents are.

Pedestrians are getting so particular they want to be run over by an expensive car, not a cheap car.

They are recruiting soldiers by radio now, the only drawback being recruits can't drill by radio.

In York, Pa., bandits carried off the postoffice safe, but there was only money in it, no coal.

This may be an awful country; but in Persia it is considered effeminate to laugh.

The trouble with being a flyweight champ is you may get swatted.

You often find a hard-boiled egg not what he is cracked up to be.

Every girl likes to wash dishes until she gets past six years old.

It takes one to start a fight, which is always the other one.

It will soon be next year, unless the calendars are wrong.

Retail prices are being increased by the wholesale.

CHURCH NEWS

Furnished by the Church News Association

Membership growth of all American religious bodies in 1922 reached 980,000, greater by 245,000 than during any twelve months in recent years. Data will hardly be ready in complete form before the end of February next, and all records are not kept on the calendar years, but enough is already known to fix the figures of increase approximately. These increases have been well distributed, except that the small bodies stand still, some of them fall behind, while the large and well known ones, destined it would appear, to live in American affairs, grow with remarkable steadiness. At the end of 1922 there are enrolled on the parish records of American religious bodies 42,120,000. Roman Catholic membership and growth are difficult to act down in exact figures. In this body count is made of baptized persons, in all others of actual communicants. Methodists and Baptist bodies run very evenly—8,000,000 each at the end of this year, or very nearly that figure. Within the year Baptists of the South made marked increase; far larger than Baptists of the North. Presbyterians and Lutherans are also quite near together in memberships, Lutherans being ahead with 2,525,000 and Presbyterians 2,305,000. Two bodies, the Disciples and Episcopal, go beyond the 1,000,000, the former with 1,500,000 and the latter 1,143,500, the former standing about even, and the latter increasing in 1922 by 40,000.

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The great event in religious affairs, which the year 1922 put forward into the immediate future, is an ambitious venture into the world of hate and war, in efforts to apply Christianity. The first such program to be announced was one supported by the whole Christian world, the Roman Catholic church excepted. This was announced during the summer. Just at the close of the year a similar program, on a slightly different basis, was announced by the Pope in the name of the Roman Catholic church, and as part of his pontifical plans. Both Protestant and Catholic set the year 1925 as the culmination, and both announced work to start immediately, leading up to the date and the event named.

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When you go to church, if you do go, you put some money in the plates that are passed. Most everybody else does. Maybe you send checks. A good many do. The total number of actual church members who really give any sums worth mentioning is, however, quite small. It is the few who support the churches, and that few wholly within the membership of the churches. People outside of churches give next to no money to church causes, while people within the churches give by far the largest parts of all general charitable, educational and other funds for the general good. And these givers within the churches are usually the same generous people who also support the church causes. The foregoing facts have been demonstrated by very careful research. Just before the World War the sums given by American people to carry on the religious business of America, and that part of the world's religious business which America supports, amounted in all bodies to $415,000,000 a year. During the war the figure just held its own. Much money was diverted to war relief. During the past four years, a world filled with unrest, gifts have mounted with astonishing facility. During 1922 the total put on plates, sent in by checks, and otherwise given to carry on religion its material business, was $550,000,000. Some estimate it as more nearly approaching $575,000,000.

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Marked progress was made in 1922 toward unity of the churches of the world. A date was fixed for 1925, and Washington selected as the place, for a World Conference on Faith and Order. There have agreed to send delegates to the conference every Christian body in the world, save only the Roman Catholic. Even the ancient Coptic Church of Egypt has named delegates. As showing the American spirit the conference will defray expenses of delegates named by some of these small bodies in far off countries, since they admitted they were without funds to pay expenses themselves.

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In the religious world of America that which makes the year 1922 stand out above all other years is the marked growth in the influence wielded by churches. President Harding has taken churches into consideration as no president of the United States ever did. Such is the verdict of leaders in all bodies. President Harrison, President McKinley, President Roosevelt spoke often at religious conventions, and President Taft served as chairman of the official body of his denomination. But with them it was largely a private matter. This year the influence of churches is a public matter. The Disarmament conference would not have been held, so church leaders say, had not President Harding been assured by churches that Christian people of the nation would stand behind the effort. In the negotiations at Lausanne, at the very end of 1922, the influence of church sentiment from America was strong. Proofs to that effect came out from Washington as well as from Lausanne.

WHAT ABOUT THE CLOSING YEAR?

BY FRANK H. SIMONDS

WASHINGTON.—With the present article we come to the end of one more year, the fourth since the ending of the world war and the ninth since the outbreak of that great struggle the circumstances and consequences of which have dominated all international and national affairs since August 1914. How then shall one sum up this year that has closed? Has it on the whole contributed to settlement and reintegration or continuing chaos and further disintegration?

There can hardly be any large difference of opinion as to the larger aspects of 1922. In it, beyond all debate, international incoherence with resulting economic chaos has continued. On the political side we are patently in a more difficult situation than twelve months ago and the political conditions continue to control the economic.

More than that, in the judgment of many if not most experienced observers, we have reached one of those crises in which the course of events for many years is to be determined.

Either, within a time measured at most by a few months there must be very great and unmistakable improvement or there will be a collapse accompanied by political and economic disturbances which will retard if they do not for long definitely postpone all recovery. At the turn of the year we are facing the possibility of something approximating a general European collapse the consequences of which are really too disastrous to be wisely forecast.

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Looking backward for a moment over the year: It began in the closing days of the Washington conference. The highest hopes of this first American conference had already been shattered. The resumption beside the Potomac of the quarrels between the British and the French which had been carried on beside the Thames and the Seine for nearly three years and the emergence of the submarine controversy had already foreshadowed the failure of the American conference to go beyond the minimum of limitation of naval armaments comprehended in avoidance of Anglo-American-Japanese competition in naval construction of capital units and the accommodation of Japanese-American rivalries in the far Pacific.

Today, the failure of France and Italy to ratify even the limited program of restriction has led to the frank fear that all that was done in Washington may prove abortive. Mr. Hughes' fatal error in permitting himself to seem to become associated with a British program of European domination, his apparent partnership with Britain in fixing French naval strength in accordance with British views and without sympathetic consideration of French views has so far prevented French ratification of the Washington agreements and leaves it for a new year to determine whether ratification can be had even eventually.

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Washington, moreover, proved the point of departure for a new Anglo-French campaign. Defeated here in their effort to establish French views and stung by the obvious British success in diminishing French prestige and shattering American friendship for France, the French statesmen and the French people have reacted in a series of counter-offensives which have been disastrous for the world.

Washington was fondly hoped to be the beginning of a new era in international relations. It was believed in America at least that there had been success, but in reality, whatever its superficial achievements in the direction of international amity, these were instantly obscured by the Franco-British quarrel and once more an international gathering dedicated to the cause of peace proved to be the point of departure for new international discord.

From Washington the attention of the world shifted promptly to Cannes and at Cannes M. Briand, while still in the process of negotiating with Lloyd George, was struck down from behind by a majority of the French parliament, bitterly and vehemently resenting British success and tactics at Washington and looking with undisguised apprehension at the apparent menace to French interests involved in Briand's acquiescence in the Lloyd George policies.

The fall of Briand brought M. Poincare to the front and with his arrival it was patent there would be a new chapter in Anglo-French relations. The former president of the republic was obviously called to power because he exemplified to the French mind resistance to a British—and American idea of making a new settlement with Germany based solely upon economic considerations and to the French mind aiming at the sacrifice of French claims for reparations to Anglo-Americans needs for trade.

The conference in Boulogne, the first meeting between Lloyd George and Poincare, foreshadowed what was to happen. While on the surface peace was preserved, in reality the doom of the Genoa conference already agreed upon at Cannes was written. Failure of the French and British prime ministers to reach any basis of agreement was the certain promise of the failure of Genoa.

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To Genoa Lloyd George went, still in the fullness of his international power, the greatest figure which had played upon the European stage since Bismarck. He went with deliberate purpose to restore peace in Europe on British terms, to establish an association of nations in which Russia and Germany would be partners, to isolate France and, backed as he hoped by the active approval of America and the visible support of most of Europe, to bring France to heel.

Unhappily for George the prelude to Genoa was the Rapallo agreement between Russia and Germany, which had been preceded by the American refusal to attend the conference and the plain American intimation that it looked with frank disapprobation upon the British flirtation with the Bolshevists. Finally the absence of Poincare deprived Lloyd George of the opportunity to come to close quarters with the foe he rightly recognized to be most dangerous.

The Rapalo agreement threw all the central European states into the arms of France and cemented the bonds which had already been drawn between the Little Entente, Poland and the French and Belgians. In a word all the states adjoining Germany or Russia, or menaced by a Russo-German combination turned for aid to the one country whose military strength and assured policy blocked both Russian and German ascendancy and sought the perpetuation of the system created at Versailles.

In vain Lloyd George struggled to overcome the effects of American absence and Russo-German alliance. In vain he sought to oppose alliances and the old fashioned grouping of powers which had been produced by the Rapallo arrangement. In the face of an imminent and deadly peril Europe returned to its traditional methods and as consequence the conception of a Europe of nations united by common membership in a single association rather than divided into hostile groups perished.

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Genoa, as I see it, was the real termination of the Wilson adventure in Europe. The American president had retired from office and from influence, his country had long ago repudiated his policies as expressed at Versailles, but Lloyd George had seized the principles and the power of his transatlantic colleague and had for two more years striven to bend Europe to an Anglo-Saxon conception. Adjourned to The Hague, Genoa ended in obscurity, an idea and the political fortunes of the most conspicuous public man in the world had both come to ultimate grief.

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After Genoa the old question of German reparations rose again and the spectre of military operations against Germany was seen once more. But again the peril was postponed by one more compromise which adjourned without solving any crisis, Belgium having a priority upon the remaining payments of Germany until January 15, consented to take German promises and paper and France, not immediately concerned, agreed to a postponement, not technically described as a moratorium until the later date when French interests would be directly concerned.

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Then there came the sudden and terrible Greek debacle. Greece, the soldier of Britain, led into Asia Minor as a consequence of the British desire to forestall Italian occupation of Smyrna and replace Turkish by Greek influence in the near east and supported by British promises but not by British power, after a two years' campaign abruptly collapsed. The victorious Turkish armies came flowing back to the straits and demanded access to Europe.

In the supreme crisis Britain was left alone holding insecurely with an inadequate force the Asiatic shore of the Dardanelles at Chanak, while French and Italian troops were withdrawn and Rumanian and Jugo-Slav troops refused to march. For many days the question of peace or war between Britain and Turkey hung in the balance. Peace was actually preserved by the intervention of France, through Franklin Bouillon, the French politician who had negotiated a treaty for his own country with the Angora government.

But this peace was only achieved by a surrender, reluctant on the part of Britain, satisfied on the part of France and Italy, of all the lands in Europe and in Asia Minor, which had been held by the Turk at the outbreak of the world war. Adrianople as well as Smyrna passed to the Osmanli. Nothing was achieved by British opposition save a brief delay during which hundreds of thousands of Asiatic and European Christians dwelling in lands returned to the Turk and taking natural alarm as a consequence of the burning of Smyrna fled before the approach of a restored Turkish master.

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The near eastern crisis finished Lloyd George. Britain justly holding him responsible for risking a war that his fellow countrymen would not fight, perceiving with dismay that a single year had served to bring British prestige and influence on the continent to its lowest point in many decades and discovering at last the extent to which the Lloyd George method of intrigue and press manipulation, never more clearly disclosed than at Washington during the conference, had revived all the old legends of British bad faith, abruptly ended the rule of the last of the great figures which had made war and dominated the construction of so-called peace.

While the conference of Lausanne, which has not yet adjourned as I write, sought to find some face-saving formula for covering the most complete and humiliating surrender of the Christian to the Mohammedan world in several centuries and to disguise its abandonment of hundreds of thousands of Asiatic and European Christians, by a gallant and vociferous struggle to vindicate the principle of the freedom of the straits, a new British ministry undertook painfully to take up the tangled strings of international relations.

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For this new ministry, however, the problem of immediate importance was posed by Germany. For an entire year Germany had been in political chaos and economic disintegration. Inflation, eagerly embraced as a means of escaping reparations payments, had now reached a point where it was beyond the control of any or all Germans. No longer could there be any serious debate over immediate German reparations payments, the question had become one of how Germany was to be saved from a complete collapse, brought on not by any excessive reparations payments, but by the fatal method of evasion which had been adopted.

As the year ends this is the single and supreme problem. But although four years have passed since it was originally raised, we have made little real progress toward solution because the interests of those who are directly engaged are diametrically opposite. For four years the interest of the British and ourselves has lain in the restoration of the German market for our products, for four years the salvation of France has lain in the collection of the costs of reconstruction of the devastated area.

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Today France demands that she shall be assured against bankruptcy at home as the first condition of the salvation of Germany, while the Anglo-Saxon countries demand that France shall permit German salvage, with no formal guarantee of German payment after German rescue. In the course of four years there has been a necessary and wholesome deflation of the reparations expectations, originally expanded not as many Americans believe by French cupidity, but by the necessity of Lloyd George to make good his pledges of December, 1918. There is common agreement that Germany can pay no more than $10-$12,000,000,000. There is, too, common agreement that she can now pay nothing and can only resume payments when she has been allowed the time to restore her whole fiscal and economic situation, wrecked not by reparations payments, but by the method of evasion employed to escape payments.

But France is as certain to sink into fiscal bankruptcy as Germany into economic ruin, if there be not some guarantee not alone that a restored Germany will pay, but that during the German moratorium, some method of international loan shall be found by which France can raise money on her legitimate German expectations and thus avoid bankruptcy; moreover this bankruptcy must come if she does not find external relief for the present intolerable burden of financing restoration in the devastated area, a process which has already cost France as much as the world now believes Germany can pay as a total of reparations.

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The debate has then narrowed down to the single issue. The British and American governments speaking for the proper self interests of their respective countries demand that Germany shall have a respite during which she shall be able to restore her own shaken economic and financial edifice and make ready to begin payments upon a reparations account reduced to those figures which the rest of the world believe to be possible and therefore proper.

The French, on their side, largely supported by the Belgians, that is, the two states which have the largest legitimate claims against Germany growing out of wanton German destructions, demand that since German bad faith is undeniable and there is no guarantee of German performance after moratorium to be had from those British and American statesmen who favor the moratorium, France shall be permitted to take productive guarantees against eventual payment. In other words the French ask to seize the most valuable economic regions in Germany as a gage of ultimate German payment.

Such French action, necessarily military, is opposed now as it was in the Paris conference and has been ever since by both British and American public opinion because it is justly recognized that such occupation might and probably would precipitate disturbances which would deprive the moratorium of all value and actually lead not to the salvaging but to the destruction of Germany. Since this destruction would be materially disastrous both for the British and the Americans we both argue that it would be a moral crime.

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But the French now as at Paris, argue with equal vehemence and with quite as much reference to the imminent justice of things, that since France would be ruined if Germany does not eventually pay and if money is not immediately forthcoming upon this account and since the rest of the world is neither ready to advance money nor underwrite eventual German performance the Anglo-American proposal amounts to a desire to save Germany at the expense of France.

So far the debate has advanced in the present year. On January 2 the British and French statesmen will meet in Paris to continue the London negotiations which recently came to nothing. On January 15, Germany, now obviously unable to make payments due will have to default and such default arising out of undeniable German evasion will leave France with the technical right to resort to force which means to extend her military occupation.

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Meantime the closing fortnight of the month has seen the public opinion of the United States again excited over the European problem. Clemenceau's visit, the London conference, the visible decay of Germany and the patent approach of catastrophe with evil consequences here, have combined to set afloat a new tide of discussion and to launch fresh reports of American intervention.

Yet these reports have been promptly denied as a consequence of the general recognition in high places of the fact that America can do nothing without doing more than any American administration cares to do in the presence of a censorious congress and a suspicious people. American assistance to Europe, it is euphemistically called, (in reality what is at stake is the American market in Europe and what the American administration must seek is the protection and expansion of this market) must take the form of some very specific and definite involvements.

Germany can now only be saved if she is protected against French occupation, but since Germany has given France a legitimate claim against her, since she has deliberately sought to evade payment of this claim and since France cannot be saved herself unless the claim is paid, the single road to peace in Europe is the discovery of some method of separating the French from the Germans of insuring German payment and thus of forestalling French action.

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So far neither Great Britain nor the United States although British vision is in advance of ours, has been ready to assume the responsibility and has as a result had recourse to moral arguments to obtain material results. We have inveighed against French militarism and championed German salvation in the name of humanitarian considerations. But the result has been no more than a deadlock for the French have seen the material profits for the British and ourselves resulting from German salvation and have not unnaturally set down our invocation of humanitarian considerations as no more than characteristic Anglo-Saxon hypocrisy.

As long as we in the United States continue to look at the European question as purely and simply the question of saving Europe, we shall quite logically and naturally insist upon the right to impose the conditions with which Europe must comply before we intervene, if we intervene at all. But Europe, on its side, satisfied that the single reason which might provoke intervention is material, in a word that our interest is material not moral, is not by any means ready to comply with our conditions, arguing that if collapse takes place, some considerable share of the costs will be assessed against the American producers of commodities normally exported to Europe.

As I see it, the fatal difficulty lies in the fact that we demand as a condition antecedent to our doing anything, that Europe shall do things which she will only do after we have made certain clear contributions. There is the deadlock between America and Europe and between England and the continent which has so far prevented solution and may in the end insure ruin.

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Lloyd George's policy was one of avoiding material contributions by recourse to moral exhortation. He sought to coerce the French by the threat of British withdrawal from the entente and by the pressure of British public opinion. American tactics have been on the whole much the same. We urge France to permit German salvaging because refusal will weaken French causes in the United States and alienate America from France for the long and obscure future. This is our position today and roughly speaking it has been our position ever since Mr. Wilson disappeared.

But it has not worked, it cannot work and in my judgment permanent insistence upon it by us and by the British will insure the downfall of Europe. France in particular and the continent of Europe in general is not going to take Anglo-Saxon intervention as purely and simply a moral and humanitarian affair and accepting it at our valuation comply with our conditions. Germany believes that if it evades payment and invites French coercion as a consequence, that it will be saved nevertheless because Anglo-Saxon self interest is engaged. France believes that our efforts to save Europe are no more than the revelation of our concern for our trade.

When Senator Borah declaims the conditions Europe must meet before America acts Europe smiles even in its misery, because it knows that if it could comply with those conditions not only would it be safe itself but it would offer America and Britain about the most attractive investment field that could be imagined. But the simple truth is that Germany will only pay under compulsion and France will resign neither the right nor the power to coerce. Exercise of this right and preservation of this power may wreck Europe, but the failure of Germany to pay will ruin France.

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Thus as the year ends the situation with respect of the eternal triangle, Germany-France and the two Anglo-Saxon countries discloses twelve months of dangerous developments and a future darkened by terrible and imminent possibilities. In this period of the recent past Germany has sunk, Europe has disintegrated, externally this distintegration has been disclosed in the Turkish episode where all western Europe, Great Britain, France and Italy frankly surrendered to the will of a state itself bankrupt and in the last stages of ruin mustering hardly more than 150,000 troops and incapable of any large or sustained effort.

Internally the decay and disintegration is revealed in the proximity of fiscal bankruptcy in France, economic collapse in Germany and a permanent army of nearly a million and a half of unemployed in Britain. On many sides and from not a few experienced and conservative commentators one hears forecasts of a complete European debacle. Moreover the picture is completed by the manifest determination of the United States to do nothing until Europe complies with conditions which are so unlikely to be complied with that the demand not only provokes despair but arouses resentment.

In any event, looking back over the year thus briefly it is clear that it has been a period of disappointment, disintegration, and that if it has just missed ending in supreme disaster, the continuing danger is the dominating circumstance in the year that is now opening.

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It is said fogs may be dispelled by means of electric waves.

OFFICERS ELECTED BY WEST SALEM'S FIRE DEPARTMENT

Eastern Star Holds Election of Officers and Six-thirty Banquet

WEST SALEM, Wis.—Tuesday evening the West Salem volunteer fire department held its annual business meeting and elected the following officers: President, H. C. Heider; vice president, John Meyer; secretary, L. Weingarten; treasurer, John Hemker; fire chief, R. M. Gilfillan.

The Eastern Star held a meeting and 6:30 banquet Tuesday evening. Officers for the coming year were elected.

The West Salem Fish and Game Protective association held its annual meeting at Johnson's drug store Tuesday evening and elected the following officers: President, Angus Johnson; vice president, F. I. Bolles; secretary, Dr. F. L. Gullickson; treasurer, William Klos.

Mrs. W. F. Miller entertained the Novelty club last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. W. H. Miller entertained the Needlecraft club Thursday afternoon.

Alex J. Berg post, American Legion, held its annual meeting at the village hall Friday night, at 8 o'clock. Officers were elected and other business transacted. Refreshments were served.

The new Masonic officers are as follows: Thomas H. Blackburn, W. M.; A. G. Leitch, S. W.; Jesse Copper, J. W.; W. N. Upham, secretary; G. W. Dudley, treasurer; Edw. Jackson, S. D.; Herman Kuehn, S. S.; Alfred Brandt, J. S.; L. J. Engebretsen, tiler.

Following is the list of newly elected officers of West Salem Chapter No. 164, O. E. S.: Mrs. Steensen, W. M.; Mrs. Hussa, A. M.; Mrs. Leitch, conductress; Miss H. Kuehn, assistant conductress; Mrs. McClintock, secretary; Mrs. Sterns, treasurer.

Miss Bessie Erickson of Columbus spent a few days with friends recently.

Miss Faye Aldrich of Wausau spent Christmas with relatives in town.

Mrs. Carl Fleischmann entertained eighteen ladies at "500" on Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Buol entertained friends at dinner Sunday.

Mrs. Margaret Stevens has returned home from La Crosse.

John Trinka, former theater owner of this village, has sold his interest and moved to Minneapolis.

Misses Margaret Bolles and Dorothy Waite came home from Madison Wednesday to spend the holidays with their parents.

A boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Wehrenberg, December 17.

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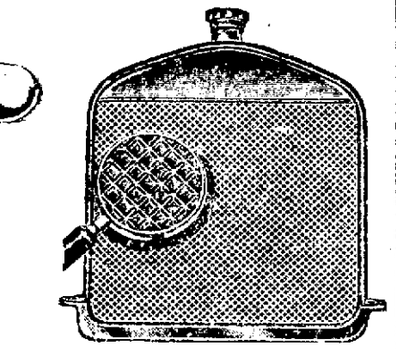

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Panel depicting "Victory Triumphant", painted by Leighton N. Oyen, part of decorations of newly remodeled Armory hall.

One of the main features of the decorations in the newly remodeled and redecorated Armory hall of the Governor's Guards association is the panel painted by Leighton N. Oyen, La Crosse artist, depicting victory triumphant after the two recent struggles in which United States was involved—the Spanish-American war and the World war. The panel, which is 6 by 17 feet, is beautifully executed and occupies a prominent space on the wall opposite the main entrance. In the back ground, on one side, are figures representing the fighters of the Spanish-American period, and on the other side the figures are those of soldiers of the world war. Members of the Guards fought in both of these wars.

The decorations of the hall are designed after the manner of the ancient Romans who commemorated the conquests of their legions. Shields, golden eagles, battle axes and the elements of military decoration are emblazoned on the walls by the artist in gay colors to produce a festive atmosphere of victory and rejoicing. The central figures of the main panel are intended to represent Enlightenment, Peace and Victory. The globe at the left of the panel is suggestive of the late war which involved the whole world, and the prow which appears on the right is that of a Spanish galleon representing the Kingdom of Spain in the Spanish-American war.

The entire hall has been remodeled and redecorated by the Association as a memorial to those members who served during the late war. The partitions at the end have been removed, which almost doubles the floor space, and the orchestra stand has been enlarged making it comfortably large enough even for a band. Each of the large windows on the side has been named as a memorial to one of the engagements which Company "B" of which the association has been formed, took part. On the north side of the hall these windows have been named for the engagements in France, and on the south side, the which th company participated in sectors fought over by Company "B" during the Spanish war.

The present floor space of the hall is 50 by 100 feet, which makes it one of the largest floors in the city. It is planned to hold frequent dances in the hall, and the association will also conduct a roller skating rink there during the winter months. Besides housing the Governor's Guards association, the hall is also used as a meeting and drill place for the Medical detachment of the 120th F. A. W. N. G.

The accompanying picture is that of the panel painted by Leighton N. Oyen whose crayon portrait studies attracted so much desirable attention at the last art exhibit held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms here.

Mr. Oyen is a member of the Association and saw active service on five fronts with the 32nd Division during the world war. It was during his period of service that he became imbued with the ideas which he has recently placed on canvas. The scene of the world war battle is drawn from what he actually saw and experienced while in France.

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"THE RED WIDOW"

One of the season's biggest musical hits that will appear in this city will be the new version of "The Red Widow," which will be the attraction at the La Crosse theater on New Year's day for matinee and night.

This big musical comedy success, comes direct from its metropolitan run with the original cast of fifty musical comedy favorites intact. Heading this large company is George Dameral, the original prince in the "Merry Widow," that famous attraction that was the talk of the country a few years ago in addition to Mr. Dameral, and playing the stellar role of "The Red Widow" is Myrtle Vail, America's favorite comelienne. The book is by Channing Pollock and Rennold Wolff, which is an absolute guarantee of its success. The comedy is in three acts and four scenes, and is a riot of laughter, songs and terpsichorean revelries from the start to finish. The settings are magnificent, especially the winter palace scene in the third act.

"The Red Widow" is a musical show that makes the audience laugh uproariously at the funny situations of George Dameral in the role of Cicero Hannibal Butts, an American in the land of the anarchists; his attempts to pass Anna Verara, the "Red Widow" and a leader of the Russian anarchists, as his wife, with his real wife appearing on the scene, is a scream that will strain the sides and bring a catch to the throat and tears to the eye. The music and lyrics of the "Red Widow" are by Charles J. Gebest, the well known writer of things musical.

"TAKE IT FROM ME" COMING TO THE LA CROSSE

"Take it from Me," with the same cast, chorus and production in its entirety that created such a furore of approbation at the Fourty-fourth Street theater, New York, and the Studebaker theater, Chicago, will appear here at the La Crosse theater, matinee and night, on Saturday, January 13.

So often has it occurred that number two casts and productions have found their way into our midst that this is a most welcome bit of theatrical news.

We are promised catchy music, good fast comedy, pretty girls and stunning clothes, all of which are contributory reasons why "Take it from Me" is breaking all house records.

The book and lyrics are by Will B. Johnstone, the famous cartoonist of the New York World, while the lilting melodies are by Will R. Anderson. Joseph M. Gaites, who gave us in the past the well remembered "Three Twins," is presenting his even greater success, "Take it from Me."

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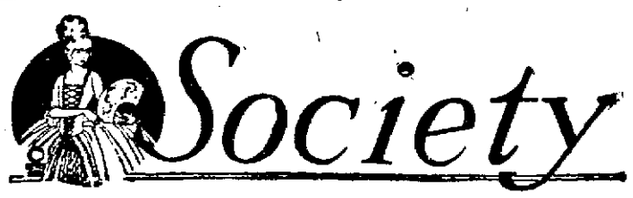

ANNUAL DANCES ARE LARGE AFFAIRS OF NEW YEAR'S ADVENT

FOLLOWING a custom of many years standing the annual Sylvester ball will be held at Pioneer hall New Year's eve. The guests will watch the passing of the old year and welcome the coming of the new.

One of the most elaborate festivities of the holiday season will be the annual New Year's party of the Elks to be held at Elks' hall. It will open at four o'clock in the afternoon. At six o'clock dinner will be served in a hall in the adjoining building, following which dancing will continue until midnight.

The Knights Templar will revive a delightful custom which was not celebrated last year. The guests will be confined to the Sir Knights and their families only. Dinner will be served and dancing will be enjoyed in the club room, which will be cleared for the occasion.

Another enjoyable social affair will be the annual New Year's ball given by the Knights of Pythias at Pioneer hall. New Year's afternoon and night. Dinner will be served at 6:30 with dancing from four o'clock until twelve.

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IN COMPLIMENT to her guest, Miss Mildred Mathes of Batavia, N. Y. Miss Louise Platz entertained at her home, 314 South Fifteenth street, at afternoon tea on Friday. The rooms were gay with Christmas trimming, flowers and tapers. Mesdames Robert Gordon, Frank Pennell Dixon and Carl Mitchell alternated in presiding at the table. About forty guests were in attendance.

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MRS. W. F. HURTGEN, 120 South Thirteenth street, was at home informally on Tuesday to her friends, as is her custom following Christmas. A buffet luncheon was served. The decorations were in token of the yuletide. About thirty guests called.

Mrs. Hurtgen was again hostess on Saturday, entertaining at dinner in honor of her son, Robert, who is home from Beloit college. Places were laid for twelve.

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AS A COMPLIMENT to her guests, Mrs. H. O. Wheeler of Minneapolis, Mrs. Leslie B. Raymond was a pleasing hostess on Thursday afternoon at a bridge luncheon at the Tea Room. Five tables were played and the favors for high scores were awarded to Mrs. F. A. Reizell of Los Angeles, Calif., Mrs. A. L. McKee and Mrs. B. E. McCormack.

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AMONG OTHERS entertaining at the Tea Room the past few days were Mrs. C. L. Lien and Mrs. James G. Peterson, who gave a one o'clock luncheon Saturday to thirty guests. Mrs. Jessie Leiserring entertained eighteen guests at 4:30 coffee and Miss Helen Runge had twelve guests at one o'clock luncheon, also at the Tea Rooms.

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MRS. HENRY ALLEN of Onalaska entertained Christmas day at six o'clock dinner in honor of Mrs. James Allen, who has been confined to her bed for nearly five years. The table was decorated in lavender, pink and green. The honor guest was unable to be at the table, but her room was prettily decorated in red and green, festoons being suspended from the ceiling to the side walls. One large bell and two smaller ones were hung in the archway, smaller ones in the doorways, and a large Christmas wreath at the head of the couch. The celebration was given that the invalid might be cheered in her long suffering. She would be glad to have her friends call and the public is invited to send her greetings. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Knutson of this city and Mr. Knutson's brother, Matt Knudson of Saginaw, Mich.

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MR. AND MRS. Gilbert Woodruff, 712 Wall street, are the parents of an eight pound son, born Saturday, December 30th.

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MRS. R. H. CLEMANS and her niece, Miss Ethelmae Harrison, are spending the week-end at Minneapolis.

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MR. AND MRS. Paul Redpath and daughter, Bettie, have returned to their home at Minneapolis after spending Christmas with relatives in town.

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MRS. ADOLPH LIDKE, 1252 South Third street, entertained at a five o'clock coffee the following guests: Mesdames E. Last, B. Neiland, L. Strong, E. Hanson, Brooks and the Misses Ida Kapaed, Esther, Louise and Irma Lidke. The table was dressed with a bouquet of flowers.

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MR. AND MRS. B. E. Hamey, formerly of this city, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Viola, to Mr. Edward Charles Schroder, who is now located at Lancaster. Miss Hamey, who is attending the National Kindergarten Training school at Chicago, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. N. Hunt.

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THE MARRIAGE of Miss Jennie Skappel, 305 South Fifth street, and Mr. Levi L. Atkinson of La Crescent is announced to have taken place December 20th at Winona at the parsonage of Rev. Samuel L. Parish.

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MR. A. R. Tabbert and family of Jeffers, Minn., spent the holidays with Mr. Tabbert's brother and wife, Mr. A. D. Tabbert, enroute to California, where they will spend the winter.

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RALPH LARSON of Madison is the holiday guest of Kenneth Kinnear.

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GILBERT SEMINGSON of Bismarck, N. D., is spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Inga Seminggson, 1503 Charles street.

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MR. AND MRS. Paul Peterman of Canton, Ill., and Paul H. Peterman, who is attending the University of Wisconsin, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Bahwell and daughter, Betty Mae, are spending the week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Peterman 1702 Loomis street.

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MRS. CARL M. Dalton, 123 South Seventh street, entertained Wednesday evening in honor of her nephew, Mr. Donald Dean, director of physical education of the schools of Two Rivers. A six o'clock dinner was served. Bridge was played in the evening, the favors going to Mrs. F. N. Clark and Mr. D. C. Dean.

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MRS. LIZZIE Bunker and Clara Brunner, who have been visiting at the home of John Rogowski, 808 Avon street, have returned to their homes at New Lisbon.

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MRS. J. J. MOEN is visiting relatives and friends at Nelson.

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MISSES BESSIE and Muriel Cotton are visiting their grandmother at Winona.

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MR. AND MRS. W. H. Cummings, 1833 Kane street, have returned after spending Christmas at Blue River, Minn.

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A SON was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Obmascher, 610 N. Tenth street on Christmas Day.

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MR. AND MRS. A. E. Pust 329 South Fifth street, announce the marriage of their daughter, Irma, to Samuel Russel Donnell of Oak Park, Ill.

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MAYFLOWER CAMP No. 393 had its annual election of officers at a camp meeting December 19th. Those elected to serve the camp for the coming year are as follows: Oracle—Julia Herlitzka; past oracle—Bertha Owen; vice oracle—Etta Branson; chancellor—Theresa Bernd; recorder—Anna Walters; receiver—Carrie Day; marshal—Anna Kehr; third manager—Augusta Green; musician—Helen Miller, physicians—Dr. J. L. Callahan and Dr. Skemp.

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MRS. A. H. ANDERSON, 814 South Seventeenth street, was hostess at a pleasant evening company Friday in honor of Miss Edna M. Harrier, home from the University of Wisconsin for the holidays. Eight guests were entertained.

On Wednesday Miss Thelma Iverson entertained nine guests for Miss Harrier at her home, 142 South Twenty-third street.

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A DAUGHTER, Marilyn Hope, was born Thursday at the Lutheran hospital to Mr. and Mrs. James R. Argall, 922 Avon street.

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MISS MARGUERITE WESTON, who has been attending Stout Istitute at Menomonie, is the holiday guest of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. F. R. Weston.

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MISS AGNES REID, superintendent of the Bradley Memorial hospital, university infirmary, at Madison, is visiting her mother at 1510 Vine street.

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Announcements

LA CROSSE Chapter, No. 22, Order of Eastern Star will have a thimble bee on Tuesday afternoon at Masonic Temple.

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THE BOARD of directors of the Y. W. C. A. will have its regular monthly one o'clock luncheon at the association rooms Wednesday to be followed directly by the regular business session.

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THE REGULAR monthly luncheon of the Community Council will be held at 12:30 on Saturday, preceded by the board meeting at 11:30. Hon. C. P. Norgard, chief of the state department of agriculture, will be the speaker. A group of the members of the Mothers' club will serve.

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LADIES AUXILIARY of the U. S. W. V. will hold its regular meeting Tuesday evening at its rooms in the court house. All members are asked to attend.

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THE LADIES Circle of St. Paul's Universalist church will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Miss Augusta F. Wehausen, 114 South Seventh street. A picnic supper will be served.

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THE JOHN FLYNN Relief Corps will hold its regular meeting at its hall on Mill street, Tuesday afternoon. The recently elected officers will be installed.

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MRS. W. T. HARTLEY will entertain the members of the Campbell Library club at her home on Wednesday at twelve o'clock dinner, following which the program will be given: Roll call—Something pertaining to New York; Reading of minutes; Business session; Current events—Mrs. Frank Pierce leader; Lesson—Chapter 13—The desert region; Leader—Mrs. Hawkins; Music—Mrs. Howard Kinney; Open question; A book report—Mrs. Dawson.

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THE LADIES' Aid Society of Our Savior's Lutheran church will be entertained Thursday afternoon at the church parlors by Mrs. A. Gundersen and Mrs. Jone S. Haugen. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

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THE REGULAR monthly meeting of the Girls' Work committee of the Y. W. C. A., scheduled for Monday, has been postponed for a week, it was announced Saturday by Miss Leona J. Reinhard, Girls' Work secretary.

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MRS. J. A. L. BRADFIELD will discuss the character of "Ruth" at the Sunday afternoon Vesper Service at the Y. W. C. A. at four-thirty. There will be a solo by Miss Dorothy Woods and Vesper Tea will be served by a committee of ladies from the Congregational church.

Earl Loeffler, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Loeffler, 1133 Liberty street, has returned to Milwaukee.

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Dub—"Well, nobody would ever get excited because she wore a one-piece bathing suit."—American Legion.

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Local News

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Tonight. Governor's Guard Rink. Admission 10c, skates 25c.

St. Peter's Episcopal church, Logan and Avon streets, north side. Services for Dec. 31st: Evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 p. m. The Rev. R. D. Vinter will officiate.

Attend Evening school at the Keefe Business College and learn while you earn. Tuition very reasonable. Call, write or telephone today.

Stoddard Hotel. New Year's Dinner from 6 to 8. Holcomb's orchestra. Reserve your table.

Mr. and Mrs. Thorwald Olson of Grand Island, Neb., came to attend the funeral of their brother, Mr. Nels Moe.

Tonight. Governor's Guard Rink. Admission 10c, skates 25c.

Business men furnished with experienced bookkeepers and stenographers free of charge. Telephone Keefe Business College.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Peck of Minneapolis, were here to attend the funeral of their brother-in-law, Mr. N. Moe.

Rebekkas and Gateway City Lodge No. 153 I. O. O. F. will have a public installation New Year's Day, 2:30. Supper 6 to 7:30. Dance 8 to 12. All Rebekkas and Odd Fellows, families and friends. Cordially invited. Committee.

Osteopathy. Dr. Jorris Newburg Bg.

Mrs. A. Mosher of Memphis, Tenn., is visiting at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Mallory, 1402 Charles street.

Tonight. Governor's Guard Rink. Admission 10c, skates 25c.

The Tea Room New Year's Dinner 6 o'clock.

Mr. A. Prochowitz is spending the holidays at his home in Winona.

Hard Time Dance Thursday night. Eagles Hall, Prizes, Come.

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Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Bell of Tracy, Minn., were visitors in the city last week.

Keeley's Old Fashion Chocolates, 40c a pound box. Buy them at Steinmetz and Hart, 323 Main.

The Tea Room. Chicken Dinner today, 6 o'clock.

Mid winter term of Tri-State Business College will begin Jan. 2, 1923. Special advantages are offered to those who enrole before that time. Call, write or telephone for further information.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Marr are in Maryland, Wis., to attend the funeral of a friend.

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Memory is good—but a Photograph is better. Motl Studio.

Marshall and Clifford Merrill have returned from a visit in Viroqua.

Costley, court house, draws wills.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. Bakke and family left for their new home in Chicago.

Dr. Thornton, Osteopath, Rivoli Bg.

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Mrs. J. M. Smith and daughters, Mae and Hazel, 1645 Avan street, are spending the week-end in Nelson, Wis.

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Miss Vivian Fawcett of Viroqua is spending the week-end here on her way to St. Paul, where she is teaching.

Confetti Dance Sun. night. New Year's Eve Concordia hall. Little Benny's will furnish the music. Confetti, horns, serpentine will be given free. Novelty Dancing Club. Dancing 8:30 to 2:00. Dance the old year out and the New Year in.

Mrs. Randing Skogen has left for a short visit with her cousin, Mrs. B. Johnson of Minneapolis.

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THINGS MUSICAL

By H. MARGARET JOSTEN

Modern Scandinavian Music Presented

The Chamber of Commerce hall was crowded to the doors on Friday afternoon when Mrs. Herbert W. Livingston and Mrs. Clem Knothe presented a program of modern Scandinavian music, having allowed the club members the privilege of inviting guests. Mrs. Livingston had taken advantage of the presence in La Crosse of her brother, Mr. Glen Halik, thus being able to give people the unusual pleasure of hearing two trios for violin, cello and piano, a string quartet and a violin concerto. Besides this Mr. Halik's analytical comments upon various numbers were of inestimable value to listeners who were hearing these compositions for the first time.

Another portion of the program that was strikingly interesting, was Dr. Otten's reading of a Bjornsen poem with incidental music by Grieg, played by Miss Louise Knudson. Two groups of songs were given, the first, very modern little pictures most artistically presented by Mr. E. O. Forseth, the second delicately fanciful both in composition and in Miss MacDonald's rendition of them. The concluding number, the Farmer's Calendar, given by Miss Harrison, Miss Gerling, Mrs. Whelpley and Mrs. Watkins, was a tiny scrap of a thing both attractive and amusing and ended the program with a chuckle.

The younger musicians who had places on the program and did both themselves and their teacher, Miss Ida Schuman great credit, were Lillian Haugen, Hubert Schleiter and Gertrude Salzer. The full program is printed at the end of this column.

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Children Sing Old Chorals

Many, many children from little tots with tiny piping voices to boys and girls in their teens, all white robed in choir vestments, singing in unison chorals—the sight and sound of it was in a way more stirring than any professional musician could be. Those children of the Sunday school of Our Saviour's Lutheran church who under the Reverend Magelssen's direction sang one night this week to their parents and friends, seemed so thoroughly to enjoy it.

One after another of the old chorals they sang, chorals hundreds of years old and of imperishable beauty—that is their beauty is imperishable so long as the children of the successive generations learn them and love them as these children do.

One cannot believe that Pastor Magelssen ever taught the beauty of Christianity more truly or more convincingly than when he led these children in singing Now Sing Now Rejoice We, or Praise to the Lord, the Almighty King of Creation. The young voices did so thoroughly praise the Lord and rejoice that they made glad the hearts of the listeners.

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Excellent Trio With Book of Job

An excellent trio of musicians will give the incidental music of the Book of Job which appears at the La Crosse theater early in January. The music is so vital a part of this production that the quality of the musicianship is as essential as is the art of the actors. This trio is composed of Jean Orloff, violinist; Lenora Coffin, pianist, and Genieve Hughel, violincellist.

Recognition has been won everywhere for their serious work and perfect ensemble. There is always a feeling of sound musicianship behind their work and an atmosphere of freshness, of spontaneity and joy in their work which pervades all they do.

Jean Orlof, though a descendant of the royal house of Russia, is a loyal American, and comes by her musical heritage very logically. Her early training was received in the Cincinnati College of Music under the instruction of Signor Campanari. Being awarded a gold medal of the college for violin her parents sent her to Europe where she became a pupil of the great Wilhelmj in London.

Lenora Coffin, the pianist of the organization, comes from a family long associated with the fine arts in the middle west. After years of study in New York, Mrs. Coffin went to Paris and for two years under Wagner Swayne studied there, after which her dream was realized and she was admitted into the class of Leschitizky in Vienna where she remained for several years.

Genieve Hughel is an Indiana girl with an ancestry of Holland. When six years old she played the piano and if the cello had not been her chosen instrument, would have been equally proficient as a pianist. At the age of seventeen Miss Hughel attended the New England Conservatory and since that time the offer of a complete scholarship is open to her whenever she wishes to accept it.

These artists have each won some individual distinction but as they appear in this trio they have a splendid unity of thought and ideal which is admirable.

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Letz Quartet in New York

The Letz quartet which plays at the La Crosse Normal school in January, has given only one New York concert this season, and that about a week ago. The comment of the press on this appearance was concise. It was, 'The Letz gentlemen played better than ever before!"

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MODERN SCANDINAVIAN MUSIC
Music Study Club Program given by Mrs. Herbert W. Livingston and Mrs. Clem Knothe

Trios—
(a) Norwegian (Spring Dance) ..
..... Herman Sandby
(b) Dalvisa (Song of the Dale) ...
Swedish Folk Song.....Herman Sandby
Violin, Mr. Glen Halik.
Cello, Mr. Frank Lestina.
Piano, Miss Elizabeth George.
String quartet in G Minor.....
..... Edward Grieg
I.—Un poco Andante—Allegro molto ed agitato.
II.—Romanze: Andantino—Allegro agitato.
III.—Intermezzo: Allegro molto marcato.
IV.—Finale: Lento—Presto al Saltarello.
First violin, Mr. Glen Halik.
Second violin, Mrs. Clem Knothe.
Viola, Mr. Wm. Tomsicek.
Cello, Mr. Frank Lestina.
Songs—
(a) Night ..... Sigurd Lie
(b) Yellow and White Boats .....
..... Sigurd Lie
(c) The Tree ..... Sigurd Lie
(d) The Autumn ..... Sigurd Lie
Mr. E. O. Forseth.
Accompanist, Mrs. H. W. Livingston.
Violin Concerto No. 2 in A Minor ...
..... Tor Aulin
Moderato.
Andante sostenuto.
Allegro vivace.
Mr. Glen Halik.
Accompanist, Mrs. H. W. Livingston.
Cantillation—Bergliot Op. 42.
Poem by Bjornson (English Translation).
Incidental music by Edward Grieg.
Dr. J. S. Otten.
Piano, Miss Louise Knudson.
Piano—
(a) To the Rising Sun .....
..... Trygve Torjussen
Lillian Haugen.
(b) Torchlight Procession .....
..... Trygve Torjussen
Hubert Schleiter.
Songs—
(a) Eventide .....
..... Agatha Backer Grondahl
(b) Little Rover ..... Signe Lund
Miss Bernice MacDonald.
Accompanist, Miss Elizabeth George.
Piano—Valse .....
..... Agatha Backer Grondahl
Miss Gertrude Salzer.
Chorus for women's voices—
Farmer's Calendar .....
..... Wm. Peterson Berger
Miss Miriam Harrison.
Miss Ruby Gerling.
Mrs. Robert C. Whipley.
Mrs. Harry Watkins.
Accompanist, Miss Ethel Mulder.

Busy

A city attorney wrote a rustic justice of the peace asking him about a judgment that had been entered against a client in the latter's village, and enclosing a two-cent stamp for reply. Several days later there came back a postcard bearing the message:

"Your inquiry received. I beg to inform you that my time is mighty valuable just now. Corn-cutting is most nigh here, politics is sizzling and the bass-fishing is fine. If you would enclose a dollar bill it might stimulate me some. I paid ten dollars once to a lawyer for answering a question, and all he said was 'No.'"—American Legion.

AT ANY ARMISTICE REUNION

Where do we go from here, boys?
Good-by Leicester Square;
The old gray mare she ain't what she
useter be,
Over there, over there, over there!

There's a long, long trail a-winding,
Cheers for the red, white and blue;
Keep the home fires burning,
Hindy-dinky parley voo!!

Oh, the in-fan-tree, the in-fan-tree!
I found my love in Avalon.
You'll never get rich while you're digging a ditch,
Madelon, Madelon, Madelon!!!
—Life.

Brorsen's comet, seen in 1846, returned at intervals, till 1890, when it failed to appear.

OBITUARY

JOSEPH RIESE

Joseph Riese, N. D., died Saturday morning, December 30th at 6:30 a. m. He was born in Austria on January 26th, 1852, and came to America in 1864. He has always made his home in La Crosse.

While a boy he became interested in music and was a musician of some note. He enjoyed a wide acquaintance in this line of work. He also conducted a cigar factory some years ago.

His health began to fail him and he was obliged to give up his work, thus becoming interested in nature cures. He graduated from various naturopathic schools and at the time of his death he was proprietor and manager of the La Crosse Naturopathic Sanatarium at 402 South Seventh street.

He was vice president of the Naturopathic society of Wisconsin, also a member of the Concordia, Odd Fellows and Frohsinn societies.

He leaves his wife, one son, three daughters, one brother and a stepdaughter. The funeral will be held on New Year's day from his home, 402 South Seventh street, at 2 p. m.

WILLIAM H. LAKE

William Henry Lake, a long resident of Viroqua, passed away early Friday evening at a local hospital, after a brief illness. He was born in Wisconsin January 16th, 1860, and has resided near Viroqua the most of his life.

He is survived by his widow and children who were with him when the end came.

The remains were taken from the Tetley Funeral Chapel Saturday afternoon to Viroqua where the funeral and burial will take place.

WILLIAM W. BEACH

William Webster Beach, a resident of Dakota, Minn., passed away at a local institution at three o'clock Saturday afternoon, after an extended illness. He was born in Canada June 28, 1859, and has lived at New Hartford, Minn., the greater part of his life until the last two years when he moved to Dakota, Minn.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Nettie Beach, of Dakota, Minn., and four children, Mrs. Ed. Richmond of Houston, Minn., W. K. Beach and A. W. Beach of Dakota, Minn., G. L. Beach of Port Byron, Illinois, one brother, H. O. Beach of Pine Creek, Minn., four sisters, Mrs. Anna Young of Winona, Minn., and Mrs. Clara Emmons of La Crosse, Wis., and Mrs. Vivian Howe of Bucyrus, N. D., also his aged mother, Mrs. Sarah Beach, of La Crescent, Minn.

Funeral services will be held from the Methodist church at Dakota, Minn., Tuesday afternoon, January second, at one o'clock. Rev. Stiere, pastor, will officiate and burial will be at the Nodine cemetery. For information please call 213.

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TCHITCHERIN ASKS FOR RECOGNITION BY THE UNITED STATES

Couples Olive Branch With Few Brickbats For Allies at Lausanne

MEANWHILE CONFERENCE HANGS ON RAGGED EDGE

Some Sign of Hope in Turk Agreement to Talk Over Mosul

LAUSANNE.—By The Associated Press.—M. Tchitcherin, Russian soviet foreign minister, made an appeal for recognition of the soviet federation, Saturday in a statement to the Associated Press.

"The soviet republic,' he said, "earnestly hopes that the beginning of the new year will bring us into closer collaboration with the American people for productive work and for the opening of our natural resources to mankind.

"Our most earnest desire is universal naval disarmament, as well as disarmame on land, peace and productive work. The soviet republic is strong enough to resist aggression, but we must regret that the scheme which has prevailed at Lausanne will compel us to arm and fortify our south coast and will divert us from our fundamental aim---production."

Tract for Delegates

The entire soviet delegation delivered a New Year's sermon to the powers, taking as a text "Russia's Sympathy for Oppressed Peoples." M. Tchitcherin distributed to all the delegations a memorandum declaring that a solution of the near east problem is possible only by abandonment of the policy of conquest and intervention toward Turkey. Happily, the soviets' advent to power in Russia had saved Turkey from total disintegration. Unhappily, however, at Lausanne, according to the memorandum, the great powers continue their old policy of domination and expansion and seek to settle the straits problem so that it can be used as a basis of attack against the Black sea countries.

The memorandum warmly takes sides with Turkey in her struggle for sovereign freedom and insists that imperialistic nations must cease to consider Moslems as inferiors. In behalf of the Moscow government, M. Tchitcherin recommends the calling of a special conference to examine into the status of the minorities of all countries and declares that the only way to establish peace in the valley of the Danube and in the Balkans is the formation of a confederation by the peoples of those regions, each state retaining its autonomy.

No Change

Saturday's developments brought no appreciable change in the delicate position of the Lausanne conference. Optimists found hope in the fact that the Turks have agreed to meet the British experts and discuss the Mosul frontier, and in the announcement that further progress had been made in the solution of the straits problem. But it is generally admitted that no change for the better or the worse can come until Ismet Pasha has heard from Angora and until the trend of the Paris reparations conference can be noted.

DARTMOUTH IS AWARDED HARDING TROPHY SATURDAY

LAKE PLACID, N. Y.—Dartmouth Saturday was awarded the Harding trophy in the college winter sports carnival here after the two-mile snowshoe race, protested Friday, was run over.

The standing of the colleges at the close was Dartmouth, 25 points; McGill, 17; New Hampshire, 10; Williams, 8; Yale, 6, and Wisconsin 5.

DOLLAR-A-YEAR OFFICIALS FACE CRIMINAL TRIALS

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collusion in the awarding of war construction contracts which he had any knowledge of or connection with, was made by Benedict Crowell, former assistant secretary of war, when informed of the return of indictments against himself and six other "dollar a year" men.

WILL INSIST ON SETTLING MATTER NOW

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care give the word for his troops to enter the Ruhr district. Great Britain would not be likely to protest against this action, but would probably retire to a position of isolation and prepare to combat the chaotic economic conditions on the continent which she believes would be certain to follow coercive action against Germany.

Italy Against Invasion

ROME—By The Associated Press—Premier Mussolini says the Giornale D'Italia, has instructed Marquis Della Torretta, who is to head the Italian delegation at the Paris reparations conference, as follows:

First—To adopt the line taken in the memorandum presented by Premier Mussolini at the London conference.

Second—Italy is not to participate in the occupation of territory in Germany.

Third—To defend the plan of economic sanctions.

MISS LOTTA BENNETT

Mrs. L. C. Jenks received word on Saturday of the death Saturday morning at Helena, Mont., of Miss Lotta Bennett, formerly a resident of La Crosse. Miss Bennett, who was a dressmaker, left La Crosse for Helena about two years ago. Her death followed an operation, according to word to local friends.

BIG BADGER PAPER COMPANY MULTIPLIES ITS STOCK BY FOUR

STEVENS POINT, Wis. — The Consolidated Water Power and Paper company, having offices at Wisconsin Rapids and mills at Stevens Point, Wisconsin Rapids, Biron, Appleton, and in Canada, has just announced the cutting of a $4,800,000 "melon." The stockholders, at a meeting at Wisconsin Rapids voted to increase the capital stock from $1,600,000 to $6,400,000 and to distrimute the new shares as a stock dividend. Each stockholder gets three new shares for one of the old, or four shares in all. In effect the Consolidated capitalizes $4,800,000 of its profits and distributes them to stockholders in stock instead of cash. The old stock recently has paid dividends of six per cent quarterly.

HIBBING WOMEN DEMAND COUNCIL STEM LIQUOR FLOW

Mayor Promises Housecleaning After Visitors Threaten to See Governor

HIBBING, Minn. — Delegations from the W. C. T. U. and Woman's Community council, appearing before the village council Saturday afternoon, informed the members that unless violation of liquor laws in Hibbing were stamped out, they would appeal to the governor for relief. The women asked the council to go on record as favoring the impeachment of Judge Thomas Brady, of the municipal court, whom they allege was not competent in his office and who was not severe enough against liquor law violators.

Mayor Gannon, in behalf of the council, stated that this was a matter entirely up to the governor. He promised that the city would start a housecleaning.

YOUNG MEN'S CLUB HOLDS REUNION ON THURSDAY EVENING

It was a happy crowd of young men that gathered at the home of Don Carleton, 503 Cass street, Thursday night to talk over the things that had happened during the past few years and to hark back to the days of their childhood. The occasion was the first meeting of the Young Men's club, organized by a group of neighborhood boys on the north side in 1904. It was the first meeting of the club held since 1910, and many things have happened in the intervening time. Many of the members of the club have wandered far from La Crosse to pursue their various vocations, but at this particular time most of them are here for the holidays.

It was planned at the meeting to hold an annual get-together between Christmas and New Year's at a time when most of the members will be in town.

Those present Friday night were: Charles Bonneville, Ray Hadgraft, Roger Lueck, Earl Winell, Wilfred Figgie, Walter Baum, George Baum, Cranford Ingham and Don Carleton. The only members of the original club not present were Melvin Pierce and Robert Knutson. They did not return to the city for the holidays.

FIRE IN BOARDWALK RESORT DOES FOURTH OF MILLION DAMAGE

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J. — Fire caused a quarter of a million dollars damage on the board walk Saturday. Three persons were reported missing and three firemen were slightly injured. Four girls, cabaret singers, were carried down ladders to safety.

The interiors of the Moulin Rouge cafe and Hugo's beauty shop were destroyed. The interior of the Hotel Stoess and that of the Orchard Shoe Salon were badly damaged. The Bal Tabarin cafe was damaged by water.

PRINTS ON AXE TRACE MURDER TO VICTIM'S LANDLORD

SUPERIOR, Wis.—That the blood crusted finger prints on the handle of the eight-pound sledge hammer and hatchet with which Nicholas Triff, 41, Austrian laborer, was brutally slain at Allouez, Thursday afternoon, are those of Jacob Vasiel, 20, in whose residence the deed was committed, and who is being held as a suspect by the police, was announced by Robert E. Donaldson, Bertillon expert for the Duluth police department Saturday.

HARLAN PAGE TO STAY AT BUTLER FOR FIVE YEARS

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind—Harlan Orville (Pat) Page Saturday signed a contract to continue as director of athletics at Butler college here for the next five years, the board of trustees announced Saturday night.

FALL REFUSES TALK OF RESIGNATION

WASHINGTON.— Secretary Fall of the department of the interior, returning from Virginia, where he spent the Christmas holidays with his daughter, declined to make any statement on published reports that he contemplated resigning. When Mr. Fall accepted the portfolio it was generally understood he did not contemplate serving throughout the entire administration but his friends have stated that he had no immediate intention of resigning.

CABINET DIVIDED OVER RIVAL BILLS FOR FARM CREDIT

Hoover and Wallace For Lenroot Bill, Mellon For Capper Scheme

WASHINGTON.—The endorsement and support of the treasury department was given Saturday to the Capper agricultural credits bill as against its principal rival, the Anderson-Lenroot credits measure, which recently was introduced in the senate and house with the backing of Secretary of Agriculture Wallace and other government officials.

Secretary Mellon, in testimony presented at closing hearings of the senate banking committee on farm credits legislation, and in a letter sent to Senator McLean of Connecticut, the committee chairman, supported the Capper bill with an amendment to extend for nine months after next June 30 the farm loan powers of the war finance corporation.

Lenroot Bill Favors Farmer

Support was given the Anderson-Lenroot bill by Secretaries Wallace and Hoover. Secretary Wallace was understood to have urged the committee to report the Anderson-Lenrott bill on the ground that it was more nearly adequate to the needs of the farmer than the Capper bill. The Anderson-Lenroot measure would set up farm credits departments in the existing federal land banks with an authorized government-furnished capitalization of $60,000,000 for the twelve banks.

With the views of the three cabinet members before it, the committee prepared to draft legislation which will harmonize the widely conflicting opinions as to the form of aid to be extended the farmers and livestock growers of the country. The committee will meet Tuesday to begin its difficult task.

The Capper bill would provide for organization, under supervision of the comptroller of the currency, of private rural credit and rediscount corporations with a minimum capitalization of $250,000, for extension of the period during which agricultural paper shall be eligible for rediscount from six months to nine months and for acceptance by federal reserve banks of paper of co-operative associations of agriculturists for rediscount as agricultural paper.

Mellon Fears U. S. Banking

Secretary Mellon presented a number of objections to the Anderson-Lenroot bill, declaring that "it would place the government to a large extent in the commercial banking business . . . would make heavy drafts upon the treasury for the capital of the farm credits department and that would mean either more government borrowing or higher taxes on all the people," and would provide for issuance of tax exempt collateral trust bonds to raise necessary funds.

Amplifying his last objection, Mr. Mellon said "it would come with particularly bad grace . . . for the federal government to authorize creation of a large volume of new tax exempt securities," at the time it was seeking to shut off the flow of such securities through amendment of the federal constitution.

RETIRING JUDGE PROMISES HIMSELF LONG-DELAYED SPREE

That's What His Long Words Seem to Indicate as Iowa Jurist Winds up Term

DES MOINES, Iowa.—James C. Hume, who retires as judge of the Polk county district court Sunday night, sang a swan song Saturday, which becomes a part of the court record, in which he promised himself a New Year celebration that "may be evasive of the spirit of the eighteenth amendment," and "probably offensive to Mr. Toogood of our town."

The judicial good-bye was in the form of a preface to his opinion in the last case decided in Hume's court.

"The writer's two-year term of office," Hume asserts, "expires Sunday. Preparations are about completed and Sunday night when the court house clock strikes the witching hour, certain suppressed desires, not Freudian ones, but one surrpessed for the last two years out of deference to the kind of ermine Iowa judges have to wear, will be suppressed no longer.

"The celebration which the court has in mind may be evasive of the spirit of the eighteenth amendment, if not of the spiritus frumenti of our parentes patriae, and probably offensive to Mr. Toogood of our town, but it will be refreshing after two years of self-respect."

BANDITS RAID THREE PROVISION STORES IN MINNEAPOLIS

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Bandits staged a series of holdups here Saturday night.

Ten customers, including three women stood with hands in the air while robbers took $100 from the cash register at the Gandrud grocery. Nothing was taken from the customers.

Two negro bandits held up Morris Hestrim in his grocery. They bound with rope Hestrim and Mrs. Boris Hestrim, his daughter-in-law, and dragged them into a cellar, took a $350 diamond ring from Mrs. Hestrim and $260 in cash from the store.

Forty-eight dollars was obtained by two holdups at the Al Rosenberg butcher store.

Serious burns are more frequently caused by direct than by alternating currents.

The United States lost two billion dollars by strikes in 1921.

CLEVELAND BUYS BREWER CATCHER IN $50,000 DEAL

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Glenn Myatt, hard hitting catcher of the Milwaukee club of the American association, Saturday was sold to the Cleveland club of the American league, according to Otto Borchert, owner of the local team.

The deal whereby Myatt becomes the property of the Indians, is said to be the largest ever made by an American association club. He goes to the big league for five players and a money consideration not made public.

The deal is reported to involve $50,000 in cash and players. Milwaukee will get Pitcher Nelson Pott, Catcher Enoch Shinault, Outfielder Patrick McNulty, Pitcher Fred Lindsey and another pitcher to be turned over to Milwaukee by April 12.

FORTY RAILROADS MAKE OVER SIX PER CENT IS REPORT OF THE I. C. C.

WASHINGTON.—By the Associated Press.—Approximately forty railroads in the United States have earned more than the six per cent fair return set by the transportation act, the interstate commerce commission reported to the senate Saturday, in response to a resolution by Senator Capper, republican, Kansas. Estimates of the amount which may be due the United States as a result are now being worked out.

None of the railroads whose returns may have been above the six per cent limit, the commission said, have as yet paid anything to the government. Determination of the precise amounts due, it was added, must await conclusion of the work of valuing railroad property.

THE WEEK

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in 1914. This is one of the world's richest oil sections. Turkey insists that no agreement ever was reached, the conversations having been interrupted by the war. England holds the opposite view. Turkey maneuvers to make the world believe that England's greed for the oil fields is the rock upon which peace is splitting.

The fact seems to be that there are two rocks. But America's stand relates to justice rather than to oil, and to the open door to the Black Sea for all nations.

Russia, in some measure backing the Turk, makes a special appeal to America in behalf of its own big contention. It wants the straits open to the merchant fleets of the world, but not to the navies of the world. An official communication tells Uncle Sam that Russia is coming back to prosperity in 1923; that it wants American capital and American genius to organize its business, and that when it returns to commerce it does not want the war ships of other nations snooping about its only access to the sea.

Offhand, the Russian position appears sound. However, it comes with less weight because of the fact that Proleturian Russia is now the world's greatest militaristic autocracy. Other nations want naval access to the shores of a country which maintains the world's greatest army and which more or less candidly is ambitious to revolutionize government in all countries.

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Exciting stories are coming from Mer Rouge, Louisiana. Reports refer to numerous whippings and to two murders by masked men said to be Klansmen. Dr. McKoin, now of Baltimore, formerly mayor of Mer Rouge and said to have been the Klan leader, who was compelled to flee from Louisiana, has been arrested as the instigator of the assassins, and is fighting extradition from Maryland. It is said a million dollars have been raised to defend the alleged Klansmen. The district is under martial law, and United States secret service men are securing evidence.

It will be remembered that within the month the governor of Louisiana visited President Harding, and stories were published to the effect that he came to ask government aid because of what he termed "the complete collapse of government in his state owing to terrorism of the Klansmen." The appearance of government department of justice operators in the Mer Rouge case tends to verify the truth of these stories and suggests that the hand of Washington is reaching out to lay hold of the Kluxers.

News stories coming from Mer Rouge bear earmarks of partisanship, and some of them appear to be propaganda. One story is that Dr. McKoin led the law and order group, and that the victims of the night raid were bootleggers and outlaws. The opposite version is that the murdered men came of the best families, their roots going back to the settlement of the country, that they were law-abiding citizens, whose only crime was that they revolted against the invisible government."

Readers of the Tribune can not yet know the truth. They can draw their own conclusions, that is all. But they do know that a condition of civil war has been created in the Mer Rouge district, that men were beaten, and two slain, without authority of law and without the safeguards provided in the American constitution. The fundamental thing about the Ku Klux Klan is not the questions of religion and race which it is said to raise. To be justified, its existence means that our present government has failed, and that democracy has proven a blunder. That is the thing which men should consider when contemplating membership in the Klan. Large numbers of our citizens are not sufficiently law fearing, but they can not be made law fearing by the assertion of lawless power, however good the motive of those who seek to apply it, nor can the better class, who might join, hope to keep in hand worse elements who would be sure to procure membership, and who would use that membership for the purpose of selfishness and private vengeance.

DAUGHTER OF LATE U. S. CHIEF JUSTICE FOUND A SUICIDE

Wealthy Woman, Former Washington Social Favorite, Dead in Cheap Flat

CHICAGO, Ill.—Neighbors breaking down the door of a cheaply furnished little three-room apartment Saturday found the body of Mrs. Maude Fuller Delius, eldest daughter of the late Melville W. Fuller, chief justice of the U. S. supreme court.

Once a Washington society favorite, Mrs. Delius, police believe, ended her life, a suicide, some time during the last three weeks. She was last seen alive Dec. 2.

The rooms still reeked with the odors of burned cigarettes and narcotics, according to Coroner Wolf. Police base their belief in suicide on the fact that the door had been barred with a shovel braced beneath the knob.

Beside the body was a check for $535 and a bank book showed a balance of $97,000 in a local bank. She had a monthly income of $600 and owned considerable property here, but despite that fact had lived virtually a recluse, since the death of her husband, who killed himself eighteen years ago.

She was about 55 years old.

HOOVER AND MELLON GIVE ADVICE UPON FARM CREDITS BILL

WASHINGTON.—Secretaries Mellon of the treasury department, Hoover of the commerce department, and Wallace of the department of agriculture, conferred Saturday with the senate banking committee on features of the pending bills to extend short-time farm marketing credits and provide long time credits for the cattle industry.

Secretary Hoover was understood to have expressed a preference for the pending Lenroot bill, but to have indicated some hesitancy as to an endorsement of the extension proposed by that measure in the time for rediscount of agricultural paper.

Mr. Hoover, it also was said, opposed use of the federal reserve board as an agency in the extension of farm credits, preferring utilization of the farm loan board, which he was said to feel should be made the agricultural financial agency of the government.

BUSINESS HERE GETTING BETTER; BIG YEAR AHEAD

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been the continued and satisfactory progress of readjustment of business and industry, due in no small part, it would seem, to the general, sound basic condition of the government as contrasted with Great Britain, Italy, Germany and Turkey, where the governments have changed hands within the last thirty days, and a good portion of the world has been disturbed. The unemployment situation is better than it was a year ago. Revival of industry in this country has brought about conditions where there may be said to be no involuntary unemployment at the present time, in fact, a shortage of skilled labor, in some quarters. There has been increased foreign buying in certain commodities within the last two months and trade as a whole shows up well, with the best retail business of the year. One of the most interesting developments has been the movement on the part of various industrial corporations to increase their working capital by stock dividends, which reflects confidence in the future. There are marked indications of less reckless spending, more economy and thrift on the part of the people, which augers well for true prosperity. I believe we may look forward with reasonable assurance for a period of prosperity during 1923."

NO HARDSHIPS HERE

F. W. Sisson, president of the Sisson, Seielstad, Hougen company: "The year 1922 is now in the discard as far as actual operation of business is concerned and all are busily engaged with their annual invoice, which, when completed, will tell the tale. The result, to those who have conducted their business along economical lines, should be gratifying and show a decided improvement over 1920 and '21. We are most fortunate in our particular territory inasmuch as we are entirely free from the hardships encountered in many sections of our country, and while no one can foretell what 1923 will bring forth, in our opinion, it should show a decided business gain over 1922. Commodities in the food line, at the present time, all show material strength in price and while we do not look for any big advances, we do expect them to hold firm during the entire season."

BIG BUILDING YEAR

Frank Hood of the Trane company: "We wish to take this opportunity of saying that the Trane company has experienced an excellent year during 1922. The construction industry throughout the country, with the exception of a few points, had a record season and the demands for our goods were consequently heavy. From all the information that is available at the present time, it would appear that 1923 will be even a heavier year in the construction industry, and we are therefore looking for an increased volume. Such an increase will undoubtedly place us in a position to employ more help and perhaps extend our plant. We have no definite plans for such extention at the present moment, however."

NEW U. S. FUEL CHIEF

WASHINGTON.—Appointment of Francis R. Wedleigh as federal fuel distributor to succeed Conrad E. Spens, who retires voluntarily January 1, was announced Saturday at the white house. Mr. Wadleigh has been Mr. Spens' assistant.

NEWS SLEUTHS HAVE BUSY DAY TRAILING ELUSIVE WEDDING OF MRS. EDITH R. M'CORMICK

CHICAGO, Ill.—By the Associated Press.—Reporters keeping vigil over the Lake Shore drive mansion of Mrs. Edith Rockefeller McCormick watching for symptoms that her rumored marriage to Edwin Krenn, young Swiss architect, was about to take place, spent a busy but fruitless day.

Early in the morning newspapermen and women, and photographers surrounded the house at every vantage point, with additional details stationed across the street to cover Mr. Krenn's hotel.

Ha! Krenn Escapes

At 10:30 their watchful waiting had its first jolt when the hotel guard discovered it had lost Mr. Krenn. Five minutes of agitated hunting and he was found four blocks away strolling down the avenue. Reporters and photographers fell into line and the procession moved on. At his radio shop, his first business venture in America, Mr. Krenn stopped for a conference with Adolph Dato, his Swiss shop manager.

The conference over, they bundled the shop's books under their arms and departed for the McCormick mansion, where the entire newspaper guard mobilized and stood at attention.

Ha! The Carpet

They didn't have long to wait. Shortly two uniformed footmen unrolled the red party carpet down the front steps and over it erected a gaily striped awning. A bulletin was despatched to the newspaper offices and photographers climbed nearby trees in search of better vantage points.

Next a limousine arrived and a fashionably gowned guest, who looked as though she might be the advance guard of a wedding party, tripped up the steps. Society editors peering through the iron fence announced Mrs. Martin B. Pike.

A second car arrived. Miss Harriet Monroe, poetess and editor of a poetry magazine, followed up the red carpeted steps.

Ha! They Leave

A long wait. Two o'clock came and passed, and three empty cars appeared and Mrs. McCormick and several friends came down the steps and were whisked away while reporters raced for a nearby taxicab fleet. The chase ended when Mrs. McCormick was discovered entertaining her friends in her box at the opera.

While breathless reporters heaved a sigh of relief the hotel guard was discovering it had misplaced Mr. Krenn again. Four minutes later he was found stepping into his coupe. Motor mounted correspondents trailed the elusive Swiss into the Loop. He parked and went shopping for two phonograph records, walked about a bit and admired the store windows, then returned to his car, where an irate traffic policeman was waiting with a slip directing Mr. Krenn to appear in court Tuesday and explain a violation of the traffic laws.

Next the chase led back to the Radio shop, a short wait and the cavalcade—Mr. Krenn's coupe and a half doezn taxicabs—returned to the hotel, and Mr. Krenn went to his suite.

Ha! They Speak French

There a much agitated Mr. Dato, who had been waiting in his employer's rooms, burst into voluble French.

Some of the newspaper guards, who had remained to watch the hotel suite, volunteered explanations. Correspondents seeking a private interview had hit on the expedient of sticking notes under his door, but watchful rivals promptly fished them out again.

Mr. Dato, waiting within, had been vainly trying to catch one of the elusive envelopes as it appeared and disappeared.

Mrs. McCormick has been free to marry since Thursday, when one year had elapsed since her divorce from Harold McCormick, the Harvester magnate, who last summer married Ganna Walska, opera star, in Paris.

THE DAY IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON.—The house and senate adjourned over New Year's until Wednesday.

The house completed consideration of the annual postoffice appropriation bill carrying $584,614,000.

The treasury, through Secretary Mellon, endorsed before the senate banking committee, the Capper agricultural credits bill.

A supplemental appropriation of $6,500,000 was requested of congress by President Harding for modernization of battleships.

The senate passed the $325,000,000 naval appropriation bill without the Borah economic conference amendment, but with the house provision urging a further naval limitation agreement.

The first annual conference of senior circuit judges, called to discuss the condition of business in federal courts and adopt means to relieve congestion, adjourned.

Upon the basis of figures covering Canadian trade officials emphasized assertions that the new tariff law had caused no cessation in the flow of imports into the United States.

The interstate commerce commission notified the senate that approximately forty railroads in the United States have earned more than the six percent fair return standard set by the transportation act.

President Harding commuted sentences of eight former members of the Industrial Workers of the World, convicted of conspiracy and violation of war-time laws, to expire at once on condition they leave the country.

The government filed with the supreme court two briefs challenging the jurisdiction of that court in appeals brought by foreign steamship companies from the prohibition ruling of Judge Hand at New York.

The special federal grand jury returned an indictment against Benedict Crowell, former assistant secretary of war, and six other war-time officials of the war department in connection with the award by the government of war-time contracts.

FLOORS PALMER HOUSE CASHIER—TAKES $10,000

CHICAGO, Ill.—A robber Saturday afternoon held up Mrs. Katherine Donovan, head bookkeeper of the Palmer House—famous old hostelry of world's fair days—knocked her unconscious and escaped with from $5,000 to $10,000 of the hotel's funds. Mrs. Donovan was alone in the auditor's office.

URGES ARMOUR PROBE

WASHINGTON.—Investigation of the recently organized corporation of Armour & Company of Delaware and the projected combination of Armour & Company with Morris & Company, by the federal trade commission was urged Saturday in a resolution introduced in the senate by Senator Norris, republican, of Nebraska. The resolution was referred to the agriculture committee of which Senator Norris is chairman.

There are at present, 6,070 miles of railway in Japan.

HELD FOR ARSON HE CONFESSES HE KILLED HIS WIFE

Special Grand Jury Called at Fairmont, Minn., in Hamblen Case

FAIRMONT, Minn.—Judge E. C. Dean of the district court Saturday afternoon called a special grand jury to meet Wednesday to consider the case of Clarence Hamblen, who is alleged to have confessed to the murder of his wife at Ceylon, Minn., on October 9.

Hamblen, who shortly after the death of his wife and the destruction of his home by fire collected his wife's life insurance and left for Stockton, Calif., was brought back this week to face a charge of arson in connection with the fire. Upon close questioning he is alleged to have made a signed confession to having murdered his wife. He has also expressed a willingness to plead guilty to murder, it is said.

RITCH MITCHELL SIGNED TO MEET JOHNNY DUNDEE

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Ritchie Mitchell, local lightweight boxer, was on Saturday matched to meet Johnny Dundee of New York, in a ten round, no decision bout before a local club on January 8. The weight has been stipulated at 138 pounds at three o'clock on the date of the contest. The boxers are to split sixty-five percent of the gross receipts.

BATTLING SIKI SUES BOXING FEDERATION FOR RE-INSTATEMENT

PARIS.—Battling Siki filed a suit in the civil courts Saturday against Paul Rosseau, president of the French boxing federation for annulment of his nine months disqualification and for restoration of his title as European heavyweight champion which he won from Georges Carpentier.

TUNNEY-DELANEY BOUT OFF

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — A twelve round bout scheduled here for January 8, between Gene Tunnye, former American light-heavyweight champion, and Jimmy Delaney of St. Paul, was called off Saturday night upon receipt of advices that Tunney was ill and would be unable to fulfill his engagement.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express with heartfelt thanks and thoughts of deep expression, for the beautiful floral offerings and kindness shown to us in great loss and bereavement of our dear wife and mother, Mrs. Wm. Pfafflin. Especially do we wish to thank friends, relatives, Rev. Panzlau and choir of Salzer Memorial church and the pallbearers.

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La Crosse Theatre Building

HAD THOMPSON HUNTED FOR FLIVVER TO FIT CRANK IT WOULD HAVE BEEN HARD JOB

OFT on a stilly night the telephone at police headquarters would jangle boisterously, aye, almost uproariously, and frequently jarring Desk Sergeant Wendling from his gentle reverie. One night last week the telephone became clamorously insistent with its metallic jangling after a particularly peaceful period.

"Police headquarters," was Sergeant Wendling's response to the summons.

"This is the Burlington passenger station on Pearl street," was the word over the wire. "Send a policeman down here quick."

Thompson Put on Job

Blaine Thompson was the only officer in the roll room at the time and was dispatched forthwith to the Burlington station. Thompson scented a mystery from afar and made the distance at double time. Entering the waiting room Thompson gazed around. There wasn't a soul in sight, there were no signs of a riot, not a single "dead one" visible anywhere—nothing but great gobs of emptiness. Spying Ross Gould, ticket agent on duty at the time behind the barred window of the ticket office, Officer Thompson asked:

"Did you call up police headquarters and ask for a policeman?"

"Yes, I did," answered Gould.

"Well, what's the trouble?" impatiently asked Officer Thompson, somewhat irritated over the seemingly needless waste of energy on the part of the several members of "the finest."

"I want you take it out of here," said Gould. "Take what out of here?" demanded Officer Thompson.

"That," said Gould, pointing his finger toward a bench. Officer Thompson looked in the indicated direction. He could see nothing. Then he peered, then he squinted, then he stared, transfixed. Gould's guess was sure fire. THEY were there, right there on the bench in the middle of the room. Cautiously, Officer Thompson approached the bench, as though not to disturb them. Then he gazed on them for a time, eventually gathering them up, placing them in an envelope and stowing them safely away in an inside pocket, where they would be shielded from harm.

Out With 'em, Said Gould

"Now that you have them, please remove them from the station," requested Gould. "They have been hanging around here for an hour. They don't seem to belong to anybody and there is no train due for some time and there hasn't been any in for an hour. We have absolutely no use for them in this station, away with them." Officer Thompson complied.

Within an hour after this episode in the Burlington station late at night, the scene shifts rapidly. Officer Thompson was standing at Third and Pearl streets. The night was as stilly as when he responded to the hurry call to the Burlington station. Few people were on the streets. Occasionally a taxicab would snort around the corner. Otherwise Pearl street was slumbering the sleep of the just.

Down the street on his tip-toes came a man, of somewhat uncertain age, who stepped gingerly along, picking his way hither and thither. As he hove into the offing, Officer Thompson glanced at him. Slowly Thompson's eyes narrowed to mere glints, that sparkled and crackled. As the stranger passed Thompson the officer shot out a husky arm and hand and slapped the stranger on the back. The stranger stopped still in his tracks.

"Turn around," demanded Thompson. The man turned. "Open your mouth," was the next demand. The man did that, too. It was empty.

"I thought so," mused Thompson. "If he isn't the guy that left them in the station, I'll use them myself, if it kills me."

"Where did you lose them?" questioned Thompson.

Stranger is Uncertain

"I dunno, Mister Policeman," quavered the stranger. He was not certain just what crime he had committed on the high seas.

"Well, here," said Thompson in a softer tone of voice, "let me make you a nice Christmas present. And take a tip from me, don't abuse your best friends like that again, for without them you sure look like a saphead. Try 'em."

The stranger did. He grinned. He distorted his face a few times, facial calisthenics as it 'twere.

"Yep, they fit," he declared. "Guess they are mine all right." And he went on his way rejoicing.

Moral: **Never go to sleep on a railroad station bench without either anchoring your false teeth, both uppers and lowers, or parking them at the check room; it's safer and you know they will be there when you want 'em again.**

PICKED VAUDEVILLE ACTS AT THE RIVOLI

What is styled as the most novel and pleasing singing and comedy act in vaudeville opens at the Rivoli today. For a real novelty in this line the "Serve-U-Four" have the act. This act is supposed to take place in a restaurant in which the two chefs and the two waiters serve you with high class mirth and melody "a la carte."

Another feature act which comes direct from the big State theatre in Minneapolis, is "The Scotch Duggins and Dudos," a three act, with many Scottish and popular songs. Comedy talking, song and dance will be included in the "Nifty Nonsense" which Al and Mabel Joy are scheduled to offer. These two persons mingle comedy tricks and situations with their offering to such an extent that they are rated among the vaudeville "laugh acts." Miss Joy is said to be all that her name implies for she is not only capable in her stage work but is beautiful in appearance as well.

Another comedy feature is Wilson and Hart, who have a comedy singing and talking act that the Milwaukee press reports say is a wonder.

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Rapid Change of Viewpoint

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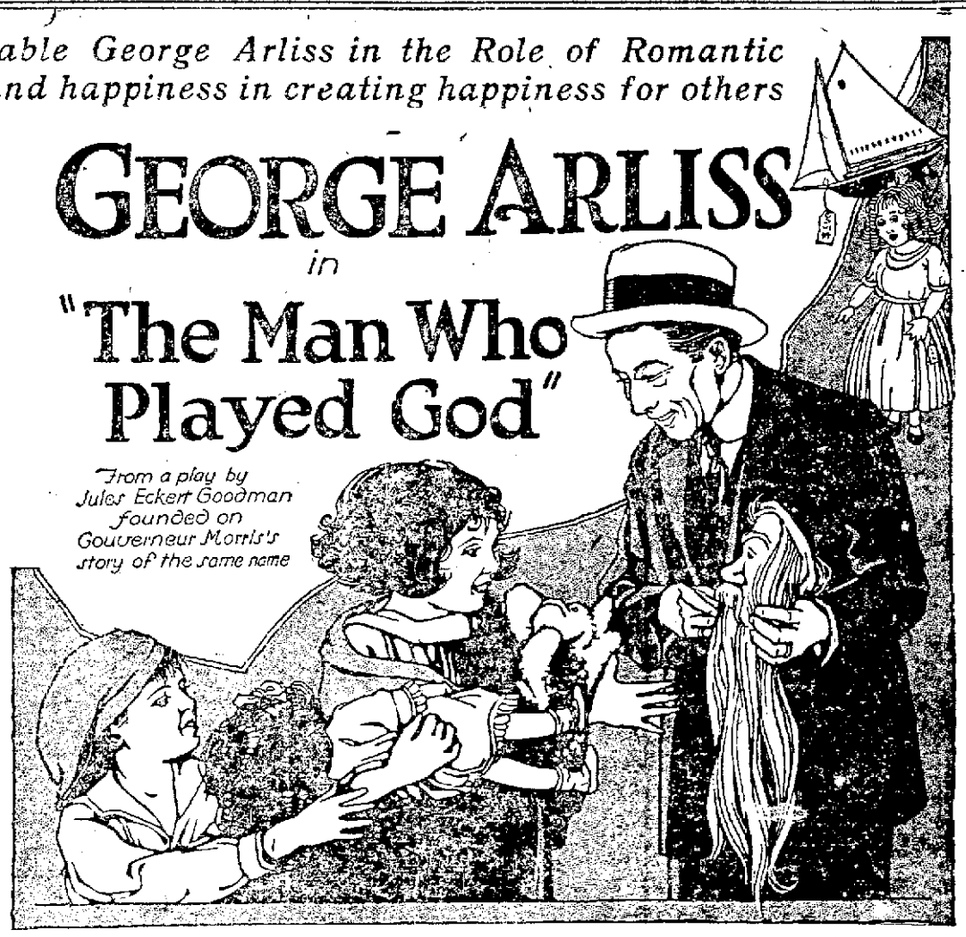

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M. E. BISHOPS ASK NATIONS TO REPENT FOR PART IN WAR

Statement Scores "Unjust Accumulation of Huge Profits by Financial Corporations"

CHICAGO, Ill.—Scoring what it terms "unjust accumulation and inequitable distribution of huge surplus of profits by financial corporations" and the distribution of "rewards of conquest in the form of governmental monopolies," the board of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church, in a statement issued here, calls upon nations to "individual and national repentance for whatever share we may have taken in the defense and support of un-Christian programs of power." The statement was adopted by twenty-six bishops in conference.

"America," the statement says, "should unhesitatingly accept her full responsibility for leadership in the restoration of a broken world. She should refuse to sanction any war except for strictest self-defense of humanity. She should continue to advocate universal disarmament and should not hesitate in asking that an international conference be called for this great purpose."

The growth of "personal and organized greed has limited and often defeated" the ideals of Christian society, the statement continued. "The first corrective of the world's woe is sincere repentance. The second corrective is the organization of political and social life everywhere upon the basis of the welfare of all.

"We deplore the unjust accumulation and inequitable distribution of huge surplus profits by financial corporations. We insist that Christian principles shall be applied alike to capital and labor.

"We deplore the distribution of rewards of conquest in the form of governmental monopolies and territorial control for personal and selfish advantage.

"We deplore the investment of taxes in armaments and pompous display, and urge the nations of the world not only to limit but to destroy this bulwark of hatred. It is our solemn judgment that nothing short of the actual application of the principles of Jesus in governmental, economic, religious and racial life today will meet the need."

BUSY YEAR FOR BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS IS SEEN IN STREET AND BUILDING WORK

Construction of Three New Schools and Expansive Street Paving and Grading Program is Contemplated; Bond for Sewer and Water Extensions

WITH the construction of three schools occupying the city administration, together with an expansive street improvement program now in the process of organization, there every indication that the coming year of 1923 will be a busy one for the board of public works of the city of La Crosse.

$350,000 School Bonds

In line with prosecution of the school construction program, the common council heard the introduction of a $350,000 bonding ordinance for schools at the November meeting, final action and passage of which will be completed at the January session.

The schools to be built during the year are the Lincoln, Vocational and North Branch schools.

While the bonding ordinance of $350,000 already introduced in the council is insufficient by a large margin to cover the proposed expenditure in the construction of all three schools, the amount will cover the main contracts, money for the extra expenditures being appropriated after construction is under way.

As a location for the new North Branch school the common council has voted to erect the building on lots owned by the city at George and Livingston streets. A lengthy petition of property owners asking the council to locate the school at the old site on Wood street was read before the council. However, it was the opinion of the city body after careful consideration that it would be to a better financial advantage to place the school on ground already owned by the city. The twentieth ward election booth stands on the property.

Owners Refuse Bids

Some difficulty in obtaining sufficient ground on which to construct the Lincoln school is being experienced by the council. The council has made it a policy to act reservedly in the matter of condemnation proceedings to acquire the necessary ground for the school, but it is apparent from the refusal of several property owners residing in the block in which the school is located, to accept the city's bid, that measures of this nature will necessarily have to be resorted to. In the meantime the matter has been referred back to the committee on grounds and buildings and will come up for consideration again at the January meeting on January 12. A resolution has been adopted to purchase 60 feet additional to the ground now occupied by the Lincoln school.

The present building at Sixth and Vine streets which houses the vocational school will be razed and a new structure built, according to a proposal of the common council. Definite action regarding the vocational school has not been taken by the council pending recommendations of the board of education yet to be heard by the council.

More Street Improvements

Improvement of city streets in 1923 will again continue as an important project of the board of public works. In addition to actual improvement of streets by paving, the city council has before it a vast program of street grading to meet the demands of expanding residential districts. Many miles of new sidewalk construction is contemplated and is now before committees of the council.

The grading work for the year has been divided into two contracts, one of which has already been let with work ordered to be commenced as soon as the weather will permit. The board of public works will let the second contract at a meeting on January 6. The grading work will be started when the ground is in condition and continue throughout the summer until completed.

In spite of the fact that the city plans an extensive street improvement program, the demand, petitions and resolutions now in committee of the council represent requests for nearly a million dollars worth of street improvements over and above the amount tentatively agreed to by members of the street improvement committee.

As a sort of established policy the tax levy for all purposes will probably be held to 26 mills or less and the amount of public improvement will be determined by available funds and moderate bond issues with maturities arranged so as not to embarrass the city in payment within the limit of resources based on such minimum tax levy.

Sewer and Water

Two separate bonding ordinances for sewer and water main extensions in addition to the school bonding measure are pending in the council at the present time. Each of the ordinances, which have received their first and second reading, provide for the issuance of $50,000 bonds all of which goes to show that residents in the outlying districts who have been clamoring for sewer and water improvement for a number of years will be taken care of this year.

A part of the work contracted for last year has not been completed as yet, but will be included in the work hoped to be accomplished by the board of public works this year.

A tentative comparison of public improvements for the past and coming year shows that 1923 will figure slightly in excess of that amount expended in 1922, in view of the fact that one additional school is to be constructed this year.

Outstanding Legislation

The outstanding legislation of the common council for the past year is the adoption of an ordinance assessing to abutting property as benefits for street improvements only the amount represented in the cost of the permanent foundation, curb and gutter. At the time this measure was adopted, the city of La Crosse was the first in the state to revolutionize the system of payment for street improvements among cities. Since La Crosse adopted this ordinance it has been reported that four other cities in the state have committed themselves to a similar measure.

While the street paving ordinance stands out above all others adopted by the council during the past year, several other measures have been passed meeting new conditions and in response to general requests made by citizens.

The present bonded indebtedness of the city of La Crosse is extended over a term of ten years, maturing as follows: In 1923, $167,000, which is provided for in the present budget; in 1924, $130,000 must be raised for maturing bonds and interest; in 1925, $156,600; in 1926, $73,000; in 1927, $97,250; in 1928, $89,500; in 1929, $93,750; in 1930, $79,250; in 1931, $79,250; in 1932, $43,500.

From the above figures it is seen that the largest amount to be raised in any one year in the next ten years is in 1923, which has been provided for in the budget adopted at the November meeting of the council.

The council completed motorization of the fire department last year in addition to an extensive street program and the erection of two schools.

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"The time has come the Walrus said
"To talk of many things
Of shoes and ships and sealing wax
Of cabbages and kings."

BY C. A. W.

"Happy New Year."

While the festive water ago wends its weary way aroun the streets of the burgh and revelers make merry at the stroke of twelve to ight, a lot of more serious-minded olks, attending devotions in the ch rches or holding sober communion wi one another before the family firesi will take account of the events of th passing year and conjecture what lit le old 1923 has in store for La Cros and the home-loving people who claim residence here. Businessmen unite in declaring that the past year has been a prosperous one for La Crosse. They point to two million dollars worth of building improvements, a growing prestige as a manufacturing and retail trade center and numerous public improvements to bear witness to the development of the city during these twelve months. Equally im ortant is the fact that there are few unemployed persons in La Crosse. No one knows what the coming year hold in store for this city. Men who feel the pulse of business and men of vision venture the prediction that it will be another prosperous year for this community. They see no clouds in the sky and aver that, if a storm does come, La Crosse can weather it, as the city has others in years gone by. The real big men of the city, scanning the comprehensive program for the advancement of the city adopted by the Chamber of Commerce recently, invariably select one plank in the platform, "revival of navigation on the river" as the greatest forward move for La Crosse from an industrial standpoint. With the greatest artery of commerce in the country passing by our doors, businessmen of La Crosse who know its possibilities, would welcome no big forward movement for this city more this year than news that the father of waters had come back into its own as a carrier of freight. And for a new year's wish, here's hopin' it comes true.

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Perhaps the most delightfu feature of the holidays is the family reunions which mark the event. There are hundreds of persons in La Crosse home right now for the fir time in a year, and needless to say reunions are happy events. Not al ent ones could make the grade for holidays, but they embraced the asion to send greetings, both of stantial and cheery nature, to th t home. George Snow, actor, is o those who found himself a lo way off when Christmas time can From far down in Texas he sent his ther-in-law, Carl Dalton, a card containing a picture of a turkey parade, along about the middle of December. Carl who is quite a kidder, sent back a card to George stating that the picture looked good, but I can't eat the photo." That was the cue that George was waiting for, and he f rthwith shipped a box of goodies to L Crosse which taxed the strength of husky express wagon driver. And as a result Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dalton and guests sat down to a Christmas dinner which included, among othe toothsome dishes, a 26-pound turkey, probably the largest served at any family holiday dinner in this city.

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Speaking of holiday eats reminds me that a number of families here enjoyed roasts of buffalo me t during the holidays. The meat that once fed the plainsmen and Indians and was the common piece de resistance of daily meals graced the ables of a hundred or more La Cross families Christmas day. The buff lo came from a range in South Da ota and was distributed by "Butch" Iehen to all customers who cared for he meat. And those who took a chan e say it was decidedly worth while for the meat tasted very much like beef, but had a wild flavor that made the sportsmen lick their chops.

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The telephone bell rang, and a voice on the wire said "New York is calling the managing edit r." And a minute later the m e. w s talking to his sister in the metropo s as easily as if she were in the s me room. One of the wonders of the age is the way the telephone bridges distance and enables one to talk to persons far away. Will Goodrich, manager of the local phone company, told me the other day about a traveling representative of a big roofing company who saves weeks of travel and time by judicious and systematic use of the long distance telephone. Periodically this chap comes to La Crosse, registers at the Stoddard, has a special telephone put in his roo and proceeds to do business on wire according to Hoyle. In a p od of two days this man calls up his customers in Wisconsin a Minnesota, the territory covered e ding from Duluth to Janesville. telephone calls cost him a hu dollars a day, but he cheerfu s the bill, declaring he is savi or three weeks of time, and hundred dollars in traveling es, to say nothing of the incon es and discomforts of playing night stands on the road. Needless to say, this long distance peddler is an honest-to-goodness salesman. If he wasn't his firm wouldn't stand for an expense account of a hundred and ten or fifteen iron-men per day.

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There comes from Hatfield, where the street railway company here gets its juice to run its street cars an Indian story which might be termed ultra-modern and is calculated to appeal to several hundred La Crosse misses and mandames who parted with their long tresses several moons ago. There was a great commotion up in the Indian camp near Hatfield a few nights ago. Settlers nearby heard the muffled booming of Indian drums, the yells of warriors and the plaintive wails of squaws. At the Indian settlement the feast of Owatunka, spirit of welcome, was being celebrated in one of its wildest demonstrations. On a sylvan throne, built of boulders rolled from the bank of the river, sat the cause of the commotion. Princess Newana Gayfish, 18-year-old Winnebago beauty, wife of Dan Gayfish, and daughter of Chief Running Wolf, who was exiled several weeks ago because she became a flapper and bobbed her hair, had returned. With her on the shrine sat her 18-months-old baby.

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Around them danced their kin, rejoicing in the hope that the presence of the princess will shake off the ill luck that had befallen the natives since they forced her to leave the reservation. Soon after Princess Newana departed an epidemic of grip swept the tribe and although none died it was regarded as an evil omen. The climax was reached when a hoot owl, known in Indian as the ungatu (bad charm), visited the encampment and hooted nightly for a week. A council was called and the Indians decided Princess Newana must return, regardless of her modern views. Her husband was selected for the mission and made the trip to Nebraska, where she had been living temporarily with a married sister. Newana made him promise solemnly to let her live as a flapper and the pair began to journey back to Wisconsin. It is believed there will be no more protests over whether Princess Newana bobs her hair, wears 'em up or rolls 'em down or shimmies when she ought to be dancing a la redskin.

Monkey Gland Farm

Arising from the investigations of the Pasteur Institute and the experiments of Dr. Voronoff in grafting monkey glands upon human beings, a bacteriologist, Dr. Wilbert, is starting for West Africa in January to establish there a vast breeding ground for anthropoid apes. Scientific laboratories will be built in the vicinity. This is likely to bring down the price of animals which have been in demand for that purpose. They have been recently quoted at high figures.

BEGINNING AND END

Her eyes were black as jet,
This charming girl I knew.
I kissed her, and husband came;
Now mine are jet black too.—Ex.

La Crosse Man Attains Success As Geologist

KIRK S. WHITE

FRIENDS of Kirk S. White, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. White, 1414 Madison street, will be pleased to learn of the success of the La Crosse man following his graduation from the University of Michigan.

It is announced that Mr. White will sail from New York January 3 on the S. S. Metapan for South America, where he will be engaged as a petroleum geologist for the International Petroleum company, Ltd. His work will take him to Columbus, Ecuador and Peru.

The La Crosse man is a graduate of the local high school, entering the university of Michigan the same year of his graduation here in 1919. Mr. White recently received his A. B. degree from the Michigan institution. During his university career, Mr. White was for three years a member of the Boxing club, and honored with the presidency of that organization in his junior year. He is a member of the Sigma Chi and Sigma Gamma Epsilon fraternities.

Mr. White has been spending the holidays with his parents in the city, leaving today for New York.

Worked for His Money

"I want you to understand I got my money by hard work."

"Hard work? I thought your uncle left it to you."

"He did, but I had hard work to get it away from the lawyers."—London Tit-Bits.

Cause of Astonishment

"Won't you come and make a four at bridge, sir?"

"I am exceedingly sorry, old man, but I don't play bridge."

"You don't play bridge? Then what on earth did you join a golf club for?"—Judge.

BUILDINGS STARTED HERE DURING 1922 WORTH $2,000,000

Over 200 Residences, Schools and Industrial Plants Built or Under Course of Building

30-ROOM ANNEX TO LINKER HOTEL TO START SHORTLY

Biggest Year in Building History of City is Expected for 1923

MORE than 200 buildings, residences, schools and industrial plants, with a total estimated value of about $2,000,000 have been built in La Crosse in the past year, according to figures in the possession of the tax commissioner, city comptroller and architects of the city.

In 1922 La Crosse experienced a building boom that has not been equalled for a long time. Most of the construction work, especially of residences, are jobs that have been delayed on account of the war and the subsequent high prices immediately following the war.

1923 Seen As Big Year

For 1923, another great building year is looked for by both architects and builders, provided, of course, that the cost of building materials doesn't take to hitting an advance in price that will prohibit many from building homes or that there is no scarcity of building materials.

Tax Commissioner Frisch and his assessors have listed about 191 residences completed last year or nearly completed by the end of the year. This number applies to homes only. It does not include the two new schools completed last fall, the Logan Junior High on the north side and the Washburn, Eighth and Main street.

Other buildings not reckoned in the 191 are the new Christian Science church on West Avenue, the new Nelson Garment company's plant, Third and Cameron avenue, now in the course of construction; the addition to Erickson's bakery; Balzer's paint shop; the addition to Hackner's plant; the addition to the Trane plant and the garage Sid Law is building at Fourth and King street.

City Does Some Building

City building that does not figure in the 191 buildings are the Logan Junior High school, the Washburn school, the $1,500 voting booth in the fifteenth ward and the addition to the Logan playground.

The scenes of the greatest activity in homebuilding in the past year has been in Spier's, Canterbury's, Losey's and Johnston's addition to North La Crosse. Fifty-five new residences have been built on the north side in the past 12 months. On the south side, that is south of the La Crosse river, the building activity has been confined largely to the area east of Sixteenth street to the foot of the bluffs and from Vine street to Mormon Coulee road.

The average price of new homes built last year was $3,800 to $4,000 and they run as high as $13,000 and $15,000. It is explained, at the tax commissioner's office, that many buildings started after May 1 have not been figured in the number of buildings completed this year because they will not go on the assessment rolls until next year.

One of the largest local projects that will be started within the next few weeks will be the addition to the Linker hotel, which will be built on the site of the Schiller saloon building on South Fourth street. The saloon building is to be torn down and with it will pass into local history one of the best known saloons in the city in the old days. A fourltory building is to be erected on the site connecting with the four-story annex in the rear of the main building of the Linker hotel. The addition is to have 30 rooms and baths. The first floor will be a store, while the three upper floors will be devoted exclusively to hotel rooms.

Linker to Have 100 rooms

According to George Linker, the second annex will be rushed to completion as early as possible and it will give the hotel a capacity of 100 rooms. The front of the next addition will be of terra cotta and brick. The annex will have a frontage on Fourth street of 27 feet and a depth of 65 feet. Parkinson and Dockendorff are the architects.

"There is more winter construction going on this year than for some time past" said Otto Merman, architect. "This is due to the mild weather we have had and also because of the rush to get work done that was planned several years ago, in fact as far back as the last year of the war and the year just after the end of the war. I expect this boom in building to continue next year, provided there is no scarcity of materials. Already the pinch is being felt in certain steel products and in coal.

"However, this winter construction work has continued on the addition to the La Crosse hotel, the K. P. lodge rooms at Avon and Clinton streets, the Art Glass company's plant, the Cameron garage, the Law garage that will be occupied by Bergh, and the Nelson Garment company's new home.

Great Boom All Over U. S.

"Statistics show that in the United States in 1922 there were 300,000,000 square feet of residences built while in 1921 there were 210,000,000 square feet. The value of all buildings in 1922 was $3,125,000,000 while in 1921 it was $2,350,000,000. In the Chicago district, in which La Crosse is included the value of all buildings in 1922 was $904,000,000, of which $541,000,000 represented residences, and in 1921 the total value of new buildings was $590,000,000. In November half of the building operations in the Chicago district were residential work and last November there was 28 per cent more construction work under way than in November 1921."

Mr. Merman has had a busy year in nearby towns, planning many residences in Viroqua, Sparta, Galesville and Winona. One of his biggest projects in Winona has been the plans for the new theater the Beyerstedas are now building.

Parkinson and Dockendorff have planned schools in North La Crosse, Marinette, Horicon, Westfield, Wausau, Merill, Kaukauna, Beaver Dam, Oconomowoc, Eagle River, Sparta Philips, Lancaster, Gays Mills, Alma Center and Mayville. They also have drawn the plans for churches in Merrill, Stockbridge, parochial school at St. Mary's Ridge, West Bend, La., Lakefield, Minn.; a woolen mills at Prairie du Chien; Masonic Temple at Sparta; Masonic temple and theater at Viroqua; a five-story office building at Appleton for the Luther Aid society.

Persistent exposure to X-rays often results in serious disease to those handling it.

MARIE ESCH IS TEACHING LITTLE RASCALS IN NEW SCHOOL AT WASHINGTON

TEACHES INCORRIGIBLES

MISS MARIE ESCH

LA CROSSE GIRL HAS HARD PUPILS IN AN INSTITUTION

First Teacher in United States to Instruct Class in House of Detention

Miss Marie Esch, daughter of Interstate Commerce Commissioner and Mrs. John J. Esch of La Crosse, is teaching incorrigible youngsters in the house of detention at Washington and enjoying the task, according to word received by La Crosse friends.

Latest reports received from the nation's capital were that Miss Esch had 24 little rascals packed in her school room. The patience of Job, the generalship and control of a Bonaparte and the disposition of an angel are required to keep this gang of cutups minding their p's and q's, but from all accounts Miss Esch is boss of the works and is so eminently successful in her task that educational authorities of the District of Columbia and surrounding cities, including Philadelphia, are sitting up and taking notice of the success of the experiment.

Born in La Crosse

Miss Esch was born in La Crosse and graduated from the local high school and from the University of Wisconsin. In Madison she did social work among the Italians in their quarter. That was her only taste of social work until she launched into this new field at Washington. For two years after graduating from the university she taught English in the high school; then last summer she went abroad.

When she returned to Washington, where the family is spending the winter, Miss Esch looked around for something worth while to do. She heard that the Washington board of education had decided to have a teacher for the children in the house of detention. This was the first time the plan was tried anywhere in this country. Miss Esch applied for the job and got it.

All First Offenders

The children in her school room are in the house of detention for their first offense, generally for rowdyism or theft. One youngster in the school stole an automobile. Some are fugitives from justice. Quite a few are in for assault and battery.

Pity the teacher if the lads ever took it into their heads to show off their prowess as roughnecks. But Miss Esch is not afraid and the youngsters know it. Furthermore, they respect her authority, and while they do draw funny pictures of 'teacher" as kids have from time immemorial and always will, there are no rowdy outbreaks in the house of detention school room.

"The house of detention is just what the name implies—a place to detain children convicted of a first offense for a few days until some provision has been made for them—either the court sends them home or to an institution," explained Miss Esch. "And that is one thing that makes it very hard. The longest time a child is in the house is three weeks any many are here only three days; so it is practically impossible to get any noticeable results. Even if there are results I will not get a chance to see them.

"Most of the children are from eight to sixteen years old, and it requires a great deal of ingenuity to know how to deal with them. Every day my class is made up of different children. I have a little questionnaire, and I ask all the children to answer it before they get in class. I find out their age, at what grade they left school, what types of books they like to read, what is their favorite sport and what subjects they like to study best.

"Most of them say arithmetic and spelling, but of course I teach them English and history and geography, too. Then we have carpentry and clay modeling, basketry and paper-cutting. We read heroic stories and illustrate them in clay. When we read Hiawatha we made an Indian village. Then when we read King Arthur and his Round Table, we made English castles."

To the little, neglected minds entrusted to her care Miss Esch is giving a glimpse of an unknown world—a world peopled with the most romantic and noble characters of all ages.

"We have as many colored children as white," Miss Esch continued, "and some days it is pretty discouraging. I will have my back turned for a minute and hear a conversation something like this:

"'You took my clay.'

"'I did not.'

"'You're a liar,' and then the fun begins.

"Then I have to turn around and appeal to their sportsmanship to prevent a fight. I would never accomplish anything if I said, 'Now, boys, stop.' I have to ask them if they think it is fair play to take each other's things, and appeal to them along this line to cement the breach.

"The main trouble with the children is, they have never worked together and they do not know how to play together or in the right manner. It is this sense of community spirit and the rights of others I have to try to impress on them. It is interesting work, and I hope I can do some good here."

ADD ONE FURTHER MASCULINE VICTORY HAT PINS OBSOLETE

Hats that Fit and Bobbed Hair May Explain Demise of the "Deadly Weapon"

SALE FOR THEM IN LA CROSSE IN SAME CLASS WITH DODO

Shirt Waist Watch, Belt Purse, "For Friendship" Pins also Passe

THERE was the watch that was pinned to the shirt waist with a clasp bearing a muddled monogram in curly script.

And the purse that wore a belt buckle in the middle of its strap, and made a public appearance dangling from milady's belt.

And that ancestor of the bar pin, "For Friendship," written in gold wire with clasped hands of mother-of-pearl.

All these have had their day in La Crosse and passed on, to be succeeded by wrist watches, finger watches, beaded bags, platinum bar pins. They were harmless feminine foibles and their exit was scarcely noticed by the good folk of La Crosse.

But this story is written to notify mankind of the passing of a deadly feminine weapon. The hat pin is gone. Something should be said about it.

"There is little or no demand for hat pins today," said the saleswoman at the notions counter of a Main street store. "We aren't buying hat pins and we aren't selling them. These few black and white ones have been in stock for years. I guess they will be for some time to come."

A dozen short pins with ordinary shoe button tops bristled from the pin cushion, the saleswoman indicated.

"No, there aren't any fancy ones," she said. "I can remember the day when the last touch to a snappy costume was a hat pin with a silver donkey's head or monogramed hat pins in gold, trimmed with sets. Of course, everybody remembers the long hat pins with a murderous point on one side of the hat and a glass eye jabber on the other end."

Hats that fit the head have made the hat pin unnecessary, in the opinion of the saleswoman. Bobbed hair may have helped inaugurate the small tight head hugging hat, she explained.

"We never sell a hat pin to young women today," she continued. "It's only grandmothers who buy them at all. I guess the younger generation has no further need for the hat pin as a weapon."

PATENTS GRANTED BY U. S. IN YEAR SET NEW RECORD

Business of Patent Office too Great for Present Staff to Handle

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Seventy or eighty years ago an official of the United States patent office resigned, saying there would be no more use for the office, "since everything inventable had been invented." In 1920, when applications for new patents jumped from 75,657 to 102,940 for the entire year, it was believed the high water mark had actually been reached, as nothing comparable to that figure had ever before been attained in the history of the office.

In 1921, however, the number rose to 107,656, and in the fiscal year ended last June it reached the total of 113,597, according to the annual report of the commissioner of patents, just published.

The business of the patent office is in excess of what the present force can dispose of adequately and efficiently, Commissioner Robertson reported, and the work has fallen so considerably in arrears that substantial provision for more employes was recommended.

Until three years ago, Mr. Robertson declared, the office received about 8,000 trade-mark applications a year, but in the year closed over 17,000 applications were received.

The patent office was one of the government departments showing a surplus of receipts over expenses for the year. Cash receipts totaled $2,894,286, and total expenses, after paying $196,000 as a bonus, left a net surplus of $172,081.

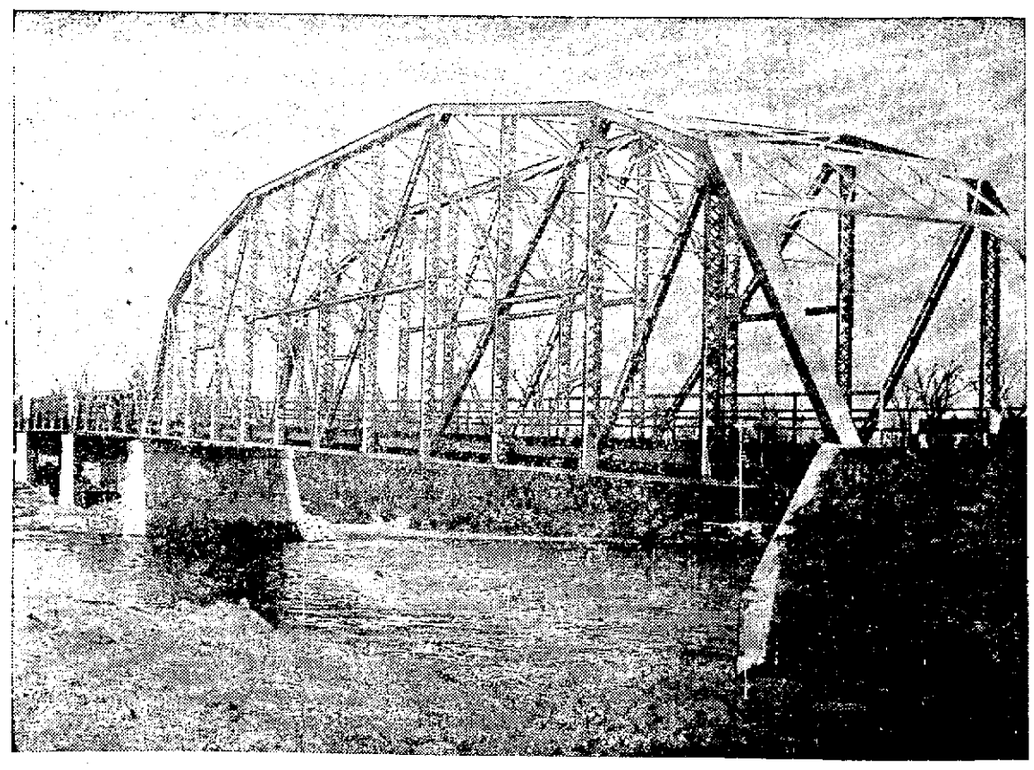
Has Strangle-hold on Father Time

Recently Mme. Sarah Bernhardt celebrated her seventy-seventh birthday! Her motto has always been "In spite of all," and in spite of all she will not grow old. "I have fought with Time and been stronger than Time," she once said. "I have striven with illness and conquered it. I have battled wth death and repulsed it—requesting it to come back later. That is the secret of my youth. I don't proposed to die before I am 103."

Do They Turn it Off?

A little girl from Indianapolis with two older sisters visited Niagara Falls. After watching the volume of water pour over the American side of the falls several minutes she inquired: "Do they turn it off at night?" The girl probably had in mind the water at the Indiana Soldiers and Sailors' monument at Indianapolis, which pours over the stone work there and is turned off late each night.—Indianapolis News.

OPENING OF NEW BRIDGE AT MELROSE ASSURES ANOTHER FINE SCENIC HIGHWAY FROM LA CROSSE TO BLACK RIVER FALLS



(Courtesy of Melrose Chronicle).

Another important highway link connecting La Crosse and Jackson counties and assuring a new improved road between La Crosse, West Salem, Melrose and Black River Falls has been completed. Announcement is made that the handsome new steel bridge spanning Black river a mile and a quarter south of the village of Melrose is finished and opened to traffic.

The bridge crosses the river at what is known as Gaylord's Ferry. The work on the bridge was started January 9, 1922. The bridge cost $58,600, while the estimated cost of engineers was $75,000. The money expended on the bridge was raised by the state, county, town and village of Melrose. The bridge is said to be one of the finest structures of its kind in the state.

The bridge is 664 feet or approximately two blocks long. In addition there is a half mile cut and fill with clay and gravel surfacing, 1,000 feet of guard rail and about 100 cords of riprapping. Piling was driven to a depth of 50 feet below the surface of the water and the footings which support the bridge go down 10 feet below the surface of the water. The footings and piers contain 800 cubic yards of concrete. In the floors there are about 300 cubic yards of concrete. In the bridge proper 555,000 pounds of steel was used. Approximately 8,000 rivets were driven on the job. The floor of the bridge is 15 feet above the normal height of the river.

The bridge has a driveway 20 feet wide. Its completion will mean the construction next year, of a modern all-weather road from Melrose to West Salem and La Crosse, opening up a new highway from this city to Black River Falls.

The bridge was constructed under the supervision of T. M. Reynolds, La Crosse division engineer of the state highway commission.

Residents of Melrose are justly proud of this fine new bridge, and farmers and villagers residing in the northern part of La Crosse county are likewise enthusiastic over the opening of the structures and the assurance of a new highway between La Crosse and Black River Falls.

COMMUNITY TREE SUCCESSFUL; 400 CHILDREN ATTEND

Miss Marie Domegela Entertains at Dinner in Honor of Her Birthday

TOMAH, Wis.—Four hundred children of this city were in attendance at the community children's Christmas service and tree held in the city library. Miss Caroline W. D. Voswinkel, city librarian, planned the Christmas celebration and decorated the library with Christmas greens and holly. Three trees were trimmed with colored lights. Eighty-five pounds of candy were donated and distributed to the children: Christmas carols and stories were pleasing features of the celebration, which was an outstanding success.

On Tuesday evening Miss Marie Domegela was hostess at a six o'clock dinner the occasion being her birthday. Covers were laid for eight. A social evening followed the dinner.

Mrs. George McMullen entertained a company of ladies at cards on Wednesday afternoon. Afternoon tea was served.

On Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Melay gave a six o'clock dinner. Covers were laid for fourteen. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hazen of La Crosse were out of town guests.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Warren had a Christmas party and tree on Monday evening. Guests included the families of W. R. McCaul, L. M. Compton, J. C. Smith, W. C. Fielding, Mr. Thomas McCaul and Mrs. F. M. Hart. A picnic lunch was served at six o'clock.

The Parliamentary Law club met on Wednesday evening with Mrs. Edgar G. Lockwood, with Mrs. William Logan in charge of the lesson.

Mrs. Elizabeth Barrows has gone to Hammond, Ind., where she is paying a holiday visit to her son, Mr. Frederick S. Barrows and family.

Mrs. Clyde Zelbell was pleasantly surprised on her birthday anniversary by a circle of friends. Cards and a supper party were pleasing features of the celebration.

The Monday Card club was entertained on Christmas night by Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Eidsmoe. A picnic supper was served after which cards were the evening's pastime. Honors for high scores went to Mrs. Henry Christiansen and Mr. Edgar Lockwood.

Mrs. Gertrude Linehan assistant instructor in cookery at the State school for the Blind at Janesville is at her parental home for the holiday season.

Raymond Smith, student and instructor at Chicago University spent Christmas at the home of his parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Smith.

James McClatchie, student at Notre Dame University, Valparaiso Ind. is in the city until Jan. 5 when he returns to his studies.

Dr. Roy Fitch of Chicago is at his parental home for several days.

Mr. C. W. Birkenmeyer is at home after an extended business trip.

Lloyd Eldrige of Chicago spent the past week with relatives residing in this city and Cashton.

Alfred Roberts physical education director at Gladstone, Mich was a La Crosse visitor on Wednesday.

Mrs. G. R. Vincent is the guest of Miss Edith Barber of Warrens during the holidays.

Mrs. Phil Yackel has as her guest Mrs. George Yackel who resides at Fox Lake.

The Misses Katherine Kyle and Marion Crossett, students at Milwaukee Downer College are at their respective homes for ten days.

Mr. Charles Merrisson of Chicago spent several days of the past week with old friends.

The Misses Helen Sowle, Helen Taft, Loreta Beagers and Rozella Linehan, students at Laurence College, Appleton are at their home for the holiday vacation of two weeks.

Joseph M. Flemming of Tunnel City was graduated on Thursday, Dec. 21, from the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago and will be sent to Africa to do field work.

Mr. and Mrs. John Allingham have gone to Iowa City, Ia. on a visit of indefinite length to their daughter, Mrs. H. Getman.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hazen and sons of La Crosse are spending the holiday season with friends in this city.

Mr. Harry Baumgarten, student in electrical engineering at Oskaloosa, Ia. is at his parental home for the holiday vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Achtenburg are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kildow of Whitewater.

Donald Compton of Indianapolis spent Christmas at his parental home.

Marie Vesper, Roland Kelpe, Lyle Dewey and Kenneth Janiex students at Stout Institute, Menomonie Wis., are at their respective home for two weeks.

Laurence Martin returned to Mount Vernon, Ill. after a two day's visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Martin.

Miss Katherine Nielon is at home from St. Francis hospital, La Crosse, where she was employed for some time as professional nurse.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hendricks have in their home until after the first of the year their daughter, Lydia from Evansville, Ill. and their son, Wilbur, who is employed in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Leona Miller are guests of relatives residing in Chicago.

Miss Florence Drowatzky of Chicago is a visitor at her parental home.

Miss Florence Diescher who is at the head of the commercial department of the high school at Menasha, is at her parental home for two weeks.

Miss Louise Storkel of La Crosse is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Anna Hyland.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Otto are guests of relatives residing at Logansport Indiana.

Miss Margaret Hopp of Madison is spending the holidays at her parental home.

The Misses Medora Jordan, Eleanor Voswinkel and Nellie Brennan, teachers in the public schools of Minneapolis are spending ten days with relatives.

Miss Sue Wells of Chicago is the guest of her brothers, Clare J. Wells and Edward Wells.

Among the students at Marquette college Milwaukee who are spending the holidays in this city are included William Earle, Alvin Kupper, Milton Benz, William Moran, Herbert Rose and William Curry.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hopp have as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Van Sant of Minneapolis.

Mr. Henry J. Skinner joined Mrs. Skinner in Chicago at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Call, and they went to Indianapolis to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Don Sluker.

Miss Leslie Pingle of Milwaukee is spending five days at her parental home in this city.

Dr. Steven S. Donovan was in attendance at a meeting of the Wisconsin State Dental Board held in Milwaukee.

TOMAH—Of state wide interest in military and social circles, is the marriage of Charlotte Ellen, only daughter of Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. Charles R. Williams of Camp Douglas and Lieutenant John Magruder Bethel of the United States army. The wedding occurred at high noon on Wednesday, December 27 at the home of the bride's parents on the Camp Douglas state military reservation. Rev. Father Wolfe of Tomah read the marriage lines in the presence of one hundred relatives and friends of the contracting parties. A wedding breakfast was served immediately after the ceremony in the commissary building which was suitably decorated with flags, bunting and Christmas greens for the occasion. Lieutenant and Mrs. Bethel are to reside at El Paso, Texas, where the groom is stationed. Among the guests in attendance at the wedding festivities may be included Gen. and Mrs. Salsman, Adj. Gen. and Mrs. Orlando Holway, Lieut. Col. and Mrs. Deven, Col. and Mrs. Byron Beveridge, all of Madison; Maj. and Mrs. Clemmons, Capt. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Williams, R. N. Williams, Mrs. Brenn Jane Fizette, Maj. and Mrs. Henhgle, Capt. Lilly, all of Milwaukee; Gen. and Mrs. R. B. McCoy, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jefferson and daughter of Sparta; Mrs. Bailey of Hudson; Miss Sue Wells of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. C. J. and R. A. Wells of Tomah. Mrs. C. R. Williams, mother of the bride, was matron of honor, Miss Jack Cannon of West Allis, bridesmaid, and Captain Harry Williams of Mauston was best man.

Immense Carved Stones

Rocks as large as houses at Amoy, China, have been found carved full of Chinese characters done by the ancients.

How Perfectly Cruel

A woman who does not know how to cook well and is nto almost a perfect housekeeper is absolutely 'out of luck" in Luzon, the largest of the Philippine islands. In fact, a poorly cooked bowl of rice or an unclean dish is ground for divorce in Luzon.

Prof Objects

Edison complains that college men lack imagination. Some professors correcting examination papers might be able to check him wrong on that point.—Beloit News.

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I wish also to thank Bert Beyerstedt, my Musical Director, for his wonderful violin solo and interpretation of the special musical score; Harry Beyerstedt, pianist and manager of the Beyerstedt Brothers Orchestra, for the rendition of, and the perfect synchronizing of the score.

I want you all to know that I sincerely appreciate your support and patronage, which enables me to present for you the really high-class photoplays, and real ORPHEUM Vaudeville.

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I have arranged for an extraordinary musical treat starting next Wednesday and playing for four days—Senorita Elena Camacho and her famous "ROYAL TROPICAL MARIMBA BAND," world-wide VICTOR artists. You will surely like them, and once again—

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And FOX NEWS.

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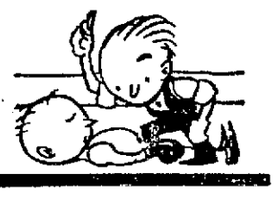

8-9-10!

That should be: 29—30—31! Anyhow, old 1922 is knocked out tonight.

And, incidently, so will be some contestants in the December Prize Contest.

But what of that? A new contest starts tomorrow for the month of January.

Send finishing in, and you can win—that's all you need to do.

TOMORROW'S AD: "Snappy New Year"

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ROSALIE LYGA TO DANCE AT RIVOLI HEAD OF COMPANY

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An added attraction which will create unusual local interest will be seen at the Rivoli theater Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings of this week when Miss Rosalie Lyga, sister of Dr. Paul A. Lyga and a former resident of this city, will appear here at the head of the Fanfare Concert Dancers, interpreting DeniShawn dances. F. A. Pruess perfected arrangements for the appearance of Miss Lyga and her company here and has charge of the program.

Miss Lyga is remembered here as an instructor in dancing and dramatic art two or three years ago. She produced a number of very successful plays during her residence here.

During the past summer Miss Lyga studied in New York city at the dancing school of Ruth St. Dennis and Ted Shawn. While at the school she was chosen to do a duet dance for the class with Mr. Shawn. Among the dances to be presented here are: "Moon of Love," a dance with circular veil; "Daylilessi," an east Indian Temple dance, (both dances were created and danced on tour by Ruth St. Dennis herself; Tuniseenne," native, quick based on match steps, danced at Rivoli theater, New York city, by Martha Graham; "East Indian Hands," authentic Hindu movements, brought to America by Ruth St. Dennis. Other attractive numbers are Betty's Music Box, España and Maria Mari.

SUNSHINE AS A "CON" CURE

The success of the sun treatment for bone and glandular tuberculosis has been substantiated by Dr. Gibson, superintendent at Meridan where 200 children are treated. He asserted that lung tuberculosis yields, like the bone and glandular varieties, to heliotherapy. Dr. O'Brien, superintendent at the Seaside at Niantic, asserted in his paper on bone and glandular tuberculosis, that the following results had been secured:

1. All forms of the disease yield to the sun cure.
2. Surgical operations are unwise for the treatment of diseased glands
3. Pure sunlight, instead of sunlight filtered through windows, is demanded.
4. The intense suffering which children ill with bone tuberculosis experience stops speedily under the sun cure treatment.
5. The removal of tonsils and adenoids has not led to benefit, but to a decided aggravation of symptoms.

Dr. O'Brien described the sanatoria on the eastern shore of Long Island Sound, where, he said, "even when the ground is covered with snow and the ponds with ice, naked children, who are winning their uphill fight for health, may be seen romping on the beach or swimming in the ocean. According to our experience, exposure of the entire body to the weather, during both summer and winter, not only does not cause colds, but actually is a most effective means of prevention.

"Heliotherapy, we have found at the seaside increases weight, cures tuberculosis, and in a most remarkable manner stops the suffering from pain."

McFarlin Cranberry

The principal cranberry grown in Oregon and Washington is the McFarlin brought from Massachusetts.

GEORGE ARLISS in "THE MAN WHO PLAYED GOD"
At the Rivoli today, Monday and Tuesday

MOVIES

AMUSEMENT CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

RIVOLI

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 31-Jan. 1-2—George Arliss in "The Man Who Played God"; musical number by Rivoli orchestra; four acts of vaudeville and International News.

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 3, 4, 5 and 6—Priscilla Dean in "Under Two Flags"; four acts of picked vaudeville; International News; musical numbers by Rivoli orchestra and Fun From the Press.

MAJESTIC

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday—Beach-Jones Stock Co. with Eloda Sitzer and 15 favorite players in "Rosie O'Grady."

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday—The Beach-Jones Stock Co. with Eloda Sitzer and 15 favorites in "The Storm" with all of the Chicago stage effects and scenery intact.

LA CROSSE

January 11—"The Book of Job" at the La Crosse theater.

RIVIERA

Sunday—Wallace Reid in "Thirty Days"; Pathe News; Digest; Carter de Haven comedy, "Keep 'Em Home"; four acts of Orpheum vodvil; Beyerstedt Bros.' orchestra.

Monday and Tuesday—Same feature, comedy and vodvil; Fox News No. 25 instead of Pathe News.

Wednesday and Thursday—Thomas Meighan in "Back Home and Broke"; Snub Pollard comedy, "The Newly Rich"; Fox News No. 26; Beyerstedt Bros.' orchestra.

Friday and Saturday—Bert Lytell, Betty Compson and May McAvoy in "The Kick In"; comedy, Pathe News; Beyerstedts orchestra.

STRAND

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday—Marion Davies in "When Knighthood Was in Flower"; short reels—Sunday—"Story of the Ice"; Pathe News. Monday and Tuesday—Pathe News; Digest.

Wednesday and Thursday—Wallace Reid in "Thirty Days"; Fox News No. 25; Carter de Haven comedy, "Keep 'Em Home."

Friday and Saturday—Thomas Meighan in "Back Home and Broke"; Fox News No. 26.

CASINO

Sunday—"The Three Buckaroos"; Carter de Haven comedy, "Xmas"; Fox News No. 24.

Monday and Tuesday—Dustin Farnum in "The Yosemite Trail"; "Story of the Ice"; Pathe News.

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday Marion Davies in "When Knighthood Was in Flower"; Wednesday and Thursday—Pathe and Marazine; Friday and Saturday Fox News No. 25; comedy, "Keep 'Em Home."

STRAND TODAY

Director Robert G. Vignola and his assistants almost lost their voices during the filming of the big wedding procession scene in the Cosmopolitan production "When Knighthood Was in Flower," a Paramount picture, starring Marion Davies, which comes to the Strand theater today. Three thousand persons were required in this scene which shows the wedding procession of Princess Mary Tudor, who is about to be married to old King Louis XII of France. A French village street two blocks long was built. Thirty-three horses were used to draw the beautiful coach of the princess and other vehicles and Director Vignola shouted himself hoarse directing the big spectacle. It was one of the largest sets ever photographed by a motion picture camera.

"UNDER TWO FLAGS"

The dynamic personality of Priscilla Dean has never been given such forceful expression on the screen as in "Under Two Flags," the production of Ouida's famous novel, which comes to the Rivoli theatre here on Wednesday. The spirited girl, Cigarette, idol of a French regiment at Algiers, is the type Miss Dean portrays so well.

A portion of the town of Algiers, with a faithful reproduction of the French barracks there, was built at the big studio. Members of the cast lived "in charagter" for several months.

Several companies of French soldiers, properly uniformed and armed, were recruited by Tod Browning, the director, for use in various scenes. The harem of an Arab chief was reproduced in all the splendor that is a savage potentate's. Every reel of the film teems with color and dramatic action.

Some of the best players of the screen were engaged to appear with Miss Dean in "Under Two Flags." James Kirkwood, John Davidson and Stuart Holmes, all noted actors, were selected for prominent parts.

NEW ARLISS FILM

"One of the best acting companies I have ever had around me," is George Arliss' description of his supporting cast in "The Man Who Played God," his latest photoplay feature which comes to the Rivoli theatre today. Ann Forrest, famous for her work in many big pictures, plays opposite the star as the wife of John Arden, famous musician, the role enacted by Arliss. Edward Earle steps from the heroic role of winner of a popularity contest in behalf of a great New York charity, to the part of "heavy" in this production. As Philip Stevens he makes love to Arden's wife, believing that she no longer cares for her musician husband. Effie Shannon as Arden's sister, has a sympathetic role that will endear her to motion picture audiences everywhere. The child star, Miriam Battista, plays a waif of the streets with fine effect. The boy player, "Mickey" Bennett, assists as her brother.

Which comes to the La Crosse Theatre Saturday, Jan. 13, matinee and night.

CASINO TODAY

When Dartigan, the intrepid Gascon, swore lifelong friendship and allegiance to Athos, Porthos and Aramis, the quartet crossed their swordpoints in an oath and adopted a motto: "Depart not, sleep not, love not—while danger lurks. One for all and all for one," which meant that each dedicated himself and his life to the service of the others, individually or collectively. And that is the same oath which is taken by Dartigan and the three buckaroos in Fred J. Balshofer's production, "The Three Buckaroos," which is to be the feature attraction at the Casino theater today.

The idea in Balshofer's story is the same as in the Dumas novel, but the theme is different, as are also the characters of the story and its locale.

GIGANTIC GEYSERS OF ALASKA

Near the head of the Copper river in Alaska, in a very rough and broken country, above which rises the cone of the extinct volcano Mount Wrangell, there exists, according to the report of a government officer, a nest of gigantic geysers which may exceed those of the Yellowstone valley in power and magnitude.

The officer was unable to approach near the geysers, but he saw many in eruption from a distance, and he thinks that the steam from the geysers has given rise to erroneous reports from various sources that the crater of Mount Wrangell is still alive. The surrounding country is so rough with its chasms, glaciers and lava beds that the officer is of the opinion that it would be almost impossible for explorers to reach the mountain.—New York Herald.

MUSICAL COMEDY PAIR AT RIVIERA

Style and finish will be noticeable in the act of McConnell and West, leading the Riviera Sunday bill, which introduces music, songs and some supreme dancing. Miss Kathleen McConenll as a member of the leen McConnell is a member of the big time vaudeville act. Her partner, Mr. West, is a late star of musical comedy. Both members of the duo are endowed with personality, attractive appearances and good stage manners. Miss McConnell's gowns are said to be sensations.

A canary of nearly human intelligence, known everywhere as "The Golden Bird," will be presented by Lorraine Evon, a charming violinist. The bird will prove itself a thorough musician, for it mingles its notes with the strains of Miss Evon's enthralling violin. To enable persons to observe the canary closely, it will be carried through the audience. Much wonder has been expressed ovtr the bird's magical skill in attuning its voice to Miss Evon's violin.

Accidents Will Happen

Knick—"What was the matter with Gray at the office this morning?"

Knack—"He was almost overcome by an accidental discharge of his duty."—American Legion.

Next to Polaris, Sirius is the best known star and is frequently used by sailors.

SPECIAL NEW YEAR SERVICE AT ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH

The English Lutheran church will observe New Year's Day by holding a special service at ten o'clock New Year's morning. Everyone welcome.

BIRDS ARE STILL THE CHAMPION AVIATORS

Birds have some secret—many secrets—for navigating the air which man has not learned. Some men aviators have gone higher in the air than any birds seem to go, but so far as human records go there is nothing to show that a condor, eagle or other highflying bird ever tried for the altitude prize.

The Carolina rail or sora, has small, short wings, apparently ill adapted to protracted flight, and in ordinary circumstances when it is forced to fly it does so reluctantly and alights as soon as possible. It flies with such awkwardness and seems to become so quickly exhausted, and yet in the course of its annual migrations this bird is known to fly very long distances without stopping.

Hard-boiled

Voice over the telephone at a dry goods store: "Have you any flesh colored stockings?"

Clerk—"Pink, yellow or black?"—Journal Pucenet.

STUART WALKER PRESENTS
THE GREATEST DRAMA OF ALL TIME
The Book of Job
UNDER THE AUSP
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THURSDAY,
Tickets now on sale by members—$2.50,
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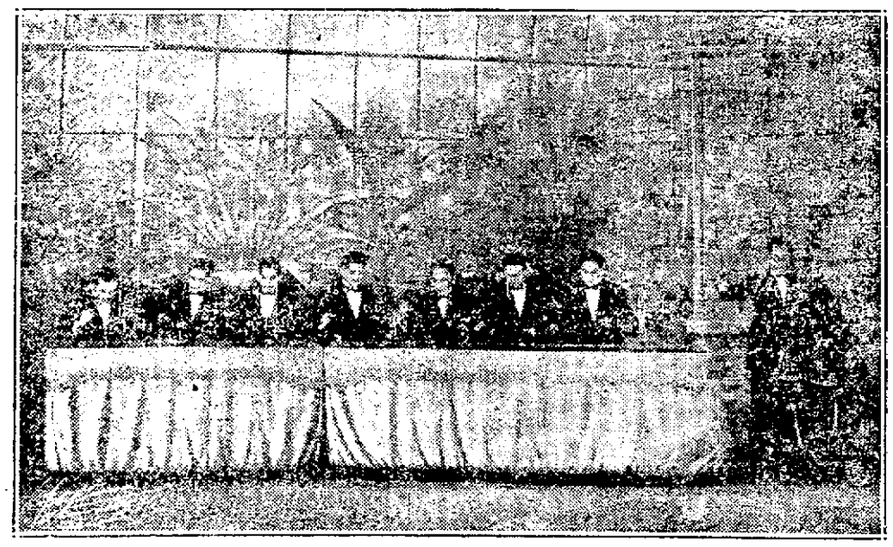

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THOS. MEIGHAN in "BACK HOME AND BROKE"
A Paramount Super Feature

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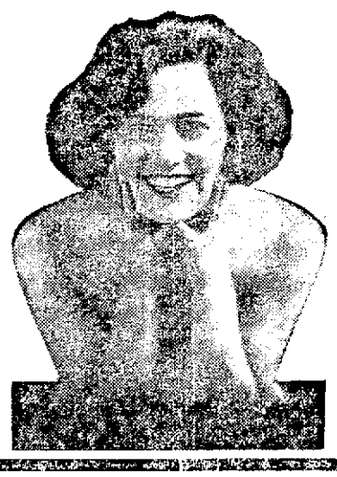

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The Beach-Jones Stock Co.
WITH 15 FAVORITE PLAYERS
—AND—
ELODA SITZER
"THE LITTLE RED HEAD"
IN
'ROSIE O'GRADY'
FULL OF "PEP AND PUNCH"
Remember her in "The Brat" and "Peg o' My Heart". She is even better in this.
IT'S JUST THE PLAY FOR "LITTLE RED"
NEW
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SPECIALTIES BETWEEN ACTS
HEAR THE FOUR "BEACH NUTS"
Hear the Majestic Orchestra in a Special Number.
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The greatest feature play ever offered at popular prices.

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TODAY to TUESDAY
With Matinee Every Day
THREE SHOWS DAILY
2 to 4:30; 6:30 to 9 and 9 to 11.
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THE MOST AMAZINGLY BEAUTIFUL PICTURE EVER SCREENED
Cosmopolitan Corporation presents
MARION DAVIES in "When Knighthood was in Flower"
THE world-famous romance in a million-dollar setting of dazzling splendor.
Directed by Robert Vignola
A Cosmopolitan Production

A Paramount Picture
Wednesday and Thursday
WALLACE REID IN "THIRTY DAYS"

CHURCHES TO HOLD SPECIAL SERVICES NEW YEAR'S EVE

Special Watch Night Service of Church Federation Tonight at Methodist Church

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL TO HAVE SERVICE AT 7:30 P. M.

Catholic Churches to Celebrate Masses on New Year's Morning

NEW YEAR'S eve will be observed by a special watch night service at the First Methodist church Sunday evening. The services will be under the auspices of the Church Federation of La Crosse.

At 7:30 p. m. Sunday a special New Year's eve service will be held in the Cathedral of St. Joseph. The sermon, to be preached by the pastor, the Rev. Peter Pape, will be in German.

Masses Monday Morning

Masses will be said in all the Catholic churches Monday morning. At the Cathedral, mass will be said at 7, 8 and 10:15 a. m. the last mass being high mass. The sermon will be in English. Masses in other Catholic churches will be at 8 and 10 a. m.

At the union services Sunday night at the First Methodist church, Eighth and King streets, members of the other churches of the Federation will drop in for a neighborly visit with the above organization partly with the view of congratulation upon the reopening of their bo[illegible] of worship after the disastrous fi[illegible] last spring.

While the new [illegible] here is not quite ready for [illegible] the interior decorations ar[illegible] the ceilings have b[illegible] strengthen the acou[illegible] finish of the pew[illegible] differ- nt fro[illegible] monious blendi[illegible] der the [illegible] l be [illegible] nd- [illegible] of [illegible] he [illegible] is occa- [illegible] familiar [illegible] participate, as [illegible] will be open to question and remark. Rev. E. C. Dixon, D. D., pastor of the church will preside.

"Y" To Celebrate

At the Y. M. C. A. elaborate preparations have been made to usher in the new year. There will be "something doing" at the "Y" from 9 in the morning until 9 at night on Monday. In the morning there will be games and stunts by the cadets, juniors and intermediate members. In the afternoon from 1 to 5 p. m. there will be billiard tournaments, volley ball between Winona and La Crosse "Y" teams and informal volley ball tournament, with the Rotary, Kiwanis and Lions club teams participating. In the evening from 7 to 9 p. m. there will be billiard tournaments and water frolics by the cadets, juniors and intermediates in the "Y" tank.

All public offices in the courthouse, city hall and federal building will be closed on Monday as well as all banks, large downtown stores and industrial plants.

Enamel is Hardest

The enamel on teeth is the hardest tissue in the human body.—Eau Claire Leader.

THE NEW YEAR

will be bright and happy for you, if you let us lift the burden of washdays.

Any day — any time, just phone—our wagon will call.

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NOTICE!

STORE OPENS PROMPTLY AT 9 A. M. BE THERE EARLY

OUR THIRD ANNUAL JANUARY

CLEARANCE

TUESDAY, Jan. 2, 1923

The most talked of event every year---a sale that offers real values in the highest grade merchandise---all new, clean, fresh garments taken from our regular stock and reduced for quick selling. For your own convenience, for the sake of a wider choice, for the sake of the tremendous savings possible---we strongly urge you to attend this sale just as early as you can.

Silk and Cloth Dresses

The dresses in this group supply startling evidence of our determination to clean stocks quickly. Many at far less than half former prices. *Values to $29.50.*

125 DRESSES TO CHOOSE FROM

All the newest styles and trimmings. Odd Dresses from higher priced lines, including both silk and cloth models.

Sizes 14 to 42.

SEE OUR WINDOWS.

$10

MATERIALS

POIRET TWILLS TRICOTINE
VELOURS
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COLORS

Navy, Brown, Tan, Black and Blue.

$22.50 to $29.50 Dresses

Every imaginable material, trimming, style and color for selection at this price. Models for all occasions. Sizes 16 to 44. Clearance Sale ....

$15

$35.00 to $45.00 Dresses

Dresses and Gowns of distinctive character, of the finest fabrics and perfect workmanship. Exquisite creations that we now offer at this price. Silk and cloth Dresses.

Sizes 14 to 42.

$25

This Sale Will Continue Throughout the Week

FIELD'S---"A Delightful Place in Which to Shop"

NOTICE!

No matter what type of garment you want you'll find it here—in your size at a REDUCED PRICE.

FIELDS

425 Main St., La Crosse, Wis. Phone 154.

NOTICE!

Owing to the DRASTIC REDUCTION on these garments we must insist that EVERY SALE BE FINAL.

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TUESDAY Jan. 2, 1923

CLEARANCE

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Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock the doors of FIELD'S will open on the most stupendous clearance sale La Crosse has ever known. Every garment, in every department, will be drastically reduced. All Street Dresses, Afternoon or Evening Dresses—Fur Trimmed, Tailored Suits—Marvelous, Fur Embellished Coats. Other beautiful fur pieces of every description—Blouses and Sweaters of infinite charm—all will be offered at prices that will unquestionably make this clearance one to be remembered and waited for from season to season.

WINTER COATS

GROUPED FOR QUICK CLEARANCE AT FOUR VERY LOW PRICES

Styles---
WRAPPY EFFECTS, BLOUSED, BELTED, STRAIGHTLINE, TAILORED MODELS.

Materials---
VELDYNES
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NOW Reduced to $25

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Fur Trimmings
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Colors---
BROWN
BLACK
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HERE THEY ARE! --- those supreme bargains for which you've been waiting. More than 500 wonderful garments developed of popular warm materials in all the latest styles go on sale Tuesday at these startling price reductions. The coldest part of winter is coming and warm coats like these at such big savings will be highly appreciated. All are warmly interlined and finely silk lined. *Sizes for Misses and Women.*

FUR COATS at ½ PRICE

This Sale Will Continue Throughout the Week

FIELD'S---"A Delightful Place in Which to Shop"

PITTSBURGH ELEVEN EASILY DEFEATS STANFORD UNIVERSITY

FORESEES CONFLICT BETWEEN ATHLETIC UNION AND N. A. A. F.

Agree to Meet at New York in January to Settle Promotion of Championships

BOSTON, Mass.—William C. Prout president of the American Athletic Union, sees in the decision of the National Amateur Athletic federation to promote sectional and national athletic championships, as reported in press dispatches, possible conflict with the A. A. U. and possible violation of a gentleman's agreement between officials of the two organizations.

He said Saturday that it had been arranged in November that committees of the organizations should have a conference in New York January 27 and that until the conference any action on such matters was to be held in abeyance.

NEW YORK.—Henry C. Breckinridge, president of the National Amateur Athletic association Saturday expressed the hope that before its next annual meeting the N. A. A. F. will have brought all national sport governing bodies together. He declined to comment on the statement of William C. Prout, criticising the N. A. A. F.

BUCK HERZOG WANTS RUBE BENTON CASE REOPENED IN COURT

"No Further Passing of Buck," Says Benton's Attorney on Saturday

BALTIMORE, Md.—Buck Herzog, former major league star, who was mentioned in the Rube Benton case, now before Baseball Commissioner Landis, wants the affair reopened and has retained Charles H. Knapp as his attorney. Knapp is well known in baseball, having served as Jack Dunn's legal adviser for years.

"There will be no further passing of the buck, baseball authorities must either clear Herzog of any possible suspicion or else convict him," said Mr. Knapp Saturday.

"Herzog is not sure that he ever will again be connected with organized baseball or not. But that doesn't matter."

MISS AMERICA I WINS SECOND HEAT OF RACE PROGRAM

Yacht is Piloted by Garfield A. Wood of Detroit; Miss Detroit VI Second

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — Miss America I, piloted by Garfield A. Wood of Detroit Saturday won the second heat of a three-day racing program for speed boats being held under the auspices of the California yacht club and the Los Angeles Athletic club motorboat racing association, covering the thirty-mile triangular course in forty-one minutes 17 2-5 ...ond.

The Miss Detroit VI, piloted by ...rles F. Chapman, finished second ...12 minutes, 18 4-5 seconds.

...PANESE TENNIS ...TARS TO RETURN HERE FOR GAMES

...YORK.—The first note in in... tennis play for 1923 was ...Saturday in announcement ...ed States Lawn Tennis as... ...hat Ichiya Kumagae and ...Kashio, Japanese stars, ... soon to prepare for the ...son on American courts. ...l younger Japanese players ...ise will accompany Kuma... Kashio. One of the new-com... be Fukuda, winner of the Ja... national championship last ... event in which Kumagae and ... did not compete.

...OHUE TO COACH LOUISIANA STATE AT BATON ROUGE

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—Mike Dono..., football coach and athletic di...tor at Auburn announced definitely Saturday that he had resigned at ... and that he had signed a ...with the Louisiana state uni... Baton Rouge La., to coach ...ution for five years at ...0,000 a year. Donohue ... $4,400 a year for ...burn team, of which ...ted by a raise made ... also a salary for ...ities at Auburn.

...IER ...ONED FOR ... PRESIDENCY

...—By the Associat... Fournier, Cardinal ... has been mentioned ...or the presidency of ...s' union, Saturday ...e was a member of ..., but, added he could ...ime whether he would ...idency. ...ball players' union is ...f the players and in no ...es the sport, I am in ...he asserted. "Howev...h comes first."

CHAMPIONS IN VARIOUS LINES OF SPORTING ACTIVITY HERE SHOWN IN REVIEW OF 1922

IN the world of sport as in many lines of activity, champions come and champions go. To some a title is little more than a passing fancy, while others cling to it for years.

There has been created in La Crosse during the past year many new champions in the various lines of sporting activity. Individuals alone in any one activity, or more groups of individuals forming athletic teams of different kinds have been displaced by others who stand out before the sporting public of La Crosse as "champions" in their particular line of sport.

Perhaps chief among the new champions of La Crosse, granting that baseball is La Crose's major sport, is the Montague baseball club which won from the Nelson clothing company the city championship as a result of besting the north siders in three out of five games in the city series. The year previous the Nelson club was undisputed champion of the city by reason of its unanimous victory over the La Crosse club in three games.

Improve When McCauley Comes

A review of the records of the Montague club shows that the team came steadily to the fore following the annexing of "Syl" McCauley to the pitching staff of the club. Some time later the Angell brothers were added, which together with a general re-organization of the team, produced excellent results which came to a fitting climax in winning the city championship.

Previous to the time when McCauley was added to the club as its pitcher, the victories of the aggregation were few. McCauley came to the local club for the first time in the game at Copeland park with the Minneapolis Sash and Door company, the Montagues winning 4 to 3. Syl's mound exhibition was the outstanding feature of the game, dazzling the eyes of the spectators to the tune of 16 strikeouts. To further stamp himself steadfastly in the hearts of his many admirers, Mac turned in a single and a double at bat. He has been signed to appear again with the Montagues for next season.

Previous to 1921 when the La Crosse and Montague teams, respectively, shared the local diamond, to the Nelson baseball club must be given the credit of supplying La Crosse fans with exhibitions of the national pastime. The club began under that name 12 years ago, playing here and there where an available plot could be found on which to stage a game, until two years ago, by permission of the city park department, the Copeland park grand stand came into existence through the fruits of its efforts.

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Dahl's Fords Junior Champs

WHAT was considered the snappiest little Junior baseball league ever conducted in the city was that of the La Crosse Outdoor Sports Association. The league was composed of six teams, Kolbo Brothers, Wile Brothers, Reimans, La Crosse News company, Levy's and Dahl's Fords, the latter winning the championship pennant. The league swung into action with the opening game on May 29, at Copeland park.

In a post-season series for the championship outside of the Junior league between the Rivoli nine and the Dahl's Fords, the former won and received a huge pennant on which were inscribed all the names of the players on the winning team. According to the terms of the agreement, the losing team was compelled to buy for the other the pennant.

The Dahl's Fords lost but three games in the entire Junior league competition, being defeated by the Reimans, La Crosse News and Wile Brothers.

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Normal Baseball Team Undefeated

THE Normal school baseball team might easily be considered one of the strongest among Normal schools of the state. The team was undefeated throughout the season lasting during the spring months of the school term, in which time it met and defeated such teams as River Falls, Luther college, Winona and others in the state. Owing to the short season some of the Normals have not included baseball as one of the sports participated in.

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High School Grid Title Not Decided

THE high school football championship in the state of Wisconsin is never decided, much to the regret of elevens all over the state who strive to build up aggregations worthy of such title. In spite of her defeat at the hands of invading Superiorites, the La Crosse high school did wonderfully well on the gridiron this year. The team met and defeated prominent teams over a greater territory than is usually included in the schedule of the high school eleven. With a majority of the men back at school this fall, fans look to a championship, as far as it may be decided under the present inefficient system, for La Crosse in 1923.

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Normal Seventh in Grid Standing

NO great success attended the La Crosse Normal football team in the season just over. But three conference games were played. La Crosse winning and losing one, the third being tied with Oshkosh. With Eau Claire and Whitewater chalked up with two wins apiece without any defeats, and failure of the squads to get together on a play-off battle, the Normal football championship rested between these two schools. Oshkosh was runner-up and La Crosse took seventh place when the final standings were made up.

High School is Eliminated

THE La Crosse high school cage squad, winner of the district elimination event held under auspices of the La Crosse Normal to represent this district at the state meet, was eliminated at the state meet at Madison. La Crosse won the wind-up game in the district meet here against Hillsboro, 31 to 17. The Red and Black got "across" with flying colors in its first encounter at Madison, defeating the much touted Watertown quintet in the first game, 23 to 15. New Richmond, strong entry of the River Falls Normal section, clamped the lid on the local's chance on the following day, however, eliminating Kedgan's squad, 29 to 17.

In the final game Fond du Lac won from New Richmond, 22 to 19, and became state champions.

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Maroon and Gray Win Cage Title

THE La Crosse Normal school won the basketball championship from among the Normal schools of the state in 1921-1922. Oshkosh Normal furnished strongest opposition for the local quintet and when the end of the season came around, the schools were undefeated in their respective localities. Oshkosh sent out a formal challenge for a three-game series to decide the state title, the first game being set for La Crosse, the second at Oshkosh, and the third, if a third was necessary, to be played on a neutral floor agreed upon by both schools. As it happened, the third game was not necessary, for La Crosse, with perhaps the strongest aggregation that ever represented the local Normal, won two straight from the easterners to clinch the title.

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Bowling Champs Here in 1922

BOWLING in the city of La Crosse has come to occupy an important place among La Crosse sports and so enthusiastic have bowlers become that it is stretched out over a greater length of time than is usually accorded the sport in many places. With the coming of the new Arcade alleys, providing more commodious and accessible quarters, bowling interests in the city have assumed greater proportions this year and from the increased numbers showing interest in the sport, including the women, it is evident that even greater things will come for the famous ten-pin game in La Crosse.

The Hotel La Crosse team, composed of Ollie Miller, captain, George Schneeberger, Gene Hunt, Oscar Paulson, Henry Wittenberg and John Williams, were champs of the city bowling league in the season of 1921-1922. The team won 63 games and lost 18.

The Rompers headed the list after the final round in the Elks' league in 1921-1922 season, carrying off the honor of champions of the organization. In the previous season, 1920-1921, the Antlers, composed of Von Wald, Bleekman, Dietz, Erickson, Frisch and Davey, won the championship. Members of the Rompers who won the title last year were: C. A. Dittman, captain, Schultz, Huebner and Shirven.

The third league in existence last season was the commercial. It was organized last year and is continuing with great success this season. The Montagues won the first commercial league title. The team was composed of A. Klawitter, captain, Shuda, Fromanek, Staddler and Tanke.

The Fraternal bowling league of last season was not continued this year. The championship was won by the B. P. O. E. from a field of eight teams.

In the church athletic league, then in its infancy regarding the scope of activity, the First Methodist aggregation won the bowling title.

The Hennepins, composed of John Benesh, captain, Kotnour, Guenther, Hackner and Stoll, were champions of the Knights of Columbus bowling league last season.

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Hotel La Crosse City Pin Champs

AT the close of the regular bowling season, the Montagues, commercial league champions, and the Hotel La Crosse, city league champions, got together on a post-season match for the title of the city. The Hotel La Crosse team overwhelmed the commercial league winners by nearly 300 pins, piling up a total of 2908 against 2647 for the Montagues.

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Skating Champions at the Carnival

BASING championships on the official skating races held under the auspices of the La Crosse Winter Carnival last year, Ole Klandrud appears foremost in the field of La Crosse skaters as champion, winning all three events in which he was entered in the racing program. Klandrud won the mile, quarter-mile and half-mile events. In addition he has won many races staged at Copeland park.

In the quarter-mile for boys, Fred Baum showed supremacy over the field, while Rose Hanlan bested the other entries in the women's half-mile race. In the couples race, Joe Shields and Helen Wells were the winners. Allen Yeo took firsts in the quarter and half-mile open events, while his brother, Ralph, came under the wire in the lead in the one-mile open race.

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Ski Jumping in Infancy Here

SKI jumping is in its infancy in La Crosse. With some of the best professionals from over the country participating in the initial tournament here last January, the La Crosse entries in the professional and amateur events were naturally unable to deliver any championships for this city. Torlief Knutson of La Crosse, placed fifth in the professional class with jumps of 92 and 93 feet to score 125 points. Dr. Sivertson, the other La Crosse entry, failed to place within the first eight in the amateur division. He made jumps of 72 and 78 feet.

With new improvements on the present ski slide to be made, the National Ski tournament is talking La Crosse as the place for the national event in another year. Plans are under way for a tournament here in January, immediately following the annual meet at Lanesboro.

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Ruplin Holds Dog Derby Title

WARREN RUPLIN, racing in a field of five entries, repeated his success of 1921 by winning the Dog Derby event at the Winter Carnival last January. More real laughter was enjoyed by spectators of the Dog Derby than perhaps any other event of the carnival. To see the youthful drivers with their hearts set on a victory scrambling in an effort to head their dogs in the general direction the finishing wire was lots of fun. Virutally all the canines in the neighborhood were aroused by the barking of the racing dogs who passed no opportunity to dash sideways over a snow-bank and sidewalk to greet their brothers on the way. But, the drivers stuck hard by and the common alley dogs interfering with the progress of the race were sent home with a yelp, while the "steeds" were yanked back on the street and urged on.

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Ray Huebner is Billiard Champ

RAY HUEBNER, representing the S. & H. cigar store, in the annual round-robin pocket billiard tournament among La Crosse billiard rooms, was the city champion in this division of sport in the season of 1921-1922. The winner of the city billiard title of the various cities of the state goes to Madison to participate in the state tournament for the title in Wisconsin. Huebner was eliminated in the state meet at Madison, Pendle, of Appleton, winning the cue title of the state in the Madison tournament. In the present tournament, Huebner and Armstrong, representing Roth's billiard room, are tied for first place. Players in the tournament have recessed for the holidays.

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Paulson Champion "Bike" Rider

DICK PAULSON, champion "bike" rider for the year of 1921, repeated his success during the past summer after a series of challenges and a cycle event put on by the Campbell cycle agency all of which wound up with Paulson as the victor. In the cycle event staged by the Campbell cycle agency, Paulson was temporarily forced to abandon his title in favor of Frank Muth, winner of first prize in that event.

Not satisfied with the results of the race, Paulson took it upon himself to redeem his lost laurels and sent out a challenge to Muth for a five-mile race at the Inter-State fair ground track. The defi was accepted by Muth and Paulson went over in record time to retract what he had lost only a short time before. Further defending his title, Paulson accepted a challenge from Wayne Veneman for the city championship on the two-wheeled vehicle and the present title holder came through victorious.

As a bicycle racer, Paulson first came into the limelight in La Crosse when the La Crosse Outdoor Sports Association staged its athletic carnival of track and water events on the Fourth of July in 1921. Paulson, unidentified then among the rest of the numerous entries, won the "bike" events with plenty of room between him and the runner-up.

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Jimmy Gill is Boxing Leader

WHILE there has been no means of deciding the boxing championship among the various weights of La Crosse boxers, the name of Jimmy Gill, the La Crosse Speed Boy, now under direct management of "Peanuts" Schriebert, of Rock Island, stands out foremost in the circle of fistic performers in the city. Jimmy has come through undefeated in a tough series of ring battles since he entered "Peanut's" stable of fighters and judging from the showing he has made in mixes with prominent boys of the ring, he is destined to go far barring all accidents.

Incidentally, the year has marked the advent of boxing shows staged regularly under the auspices of the Roy L. Vingers Post of the American Legion. The Legion has met all requirements of the state boxing commission and already two legalized bouts have been put on under its direction. The third card will be held on January 16.

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Church Athletic League Activity

THE church athletic league of La Crosse is an organization of the local Protestant churches under the leadership of the Y. M. C. A. and tends to take care of the physical phase of church activities. About three years ago this league was organized and at that time was limited to events for boys only. Later on it was broadened to include some events for seniors and older men until now it takes in a scope of twenty different leagues either operating now or in the process of organization.

Last spring the eight different leagues which constituted the league at that time included the following events: Junior, Intermediate and Senior basket ball; Senior volley ball; Senior bowling; Junior base ball (indoor); Junior and Senior track meet. These leagues had a wonderful season and finished very close. In fact, several of them required championship games to determine the winner. The First M. E. church teams appeared to have the edge on the other churches by winning five of the eight trophies and also taking the sweepstakes loving cup. The winners of the leagues were as follows: Junior basket ball, German Lutheran; Intermediate basket ball, English Lutheran; Senior basket ball, First M. E.; volley ball, First M. E.; bowling, First M. E.; indoor base ball, First Baptist; Junior track, First M. E.; Senior track, First M. E.

This fall it was thought worth while to broaden the scope of events for both the boys and men. A card containing a list of proposed events was handed to every man and boy in the several churches with instructions for them to check the events in which they were interested. A fine response was received and this gave a fine working basis for the organization of the new leagues.

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"T. N. T.s" Win Y. W. C. A. Meet

YES, and there were champions among the women. The "T. N. T." basketball team of the Y. W. C. A. gymnasium emerged to the championship from among a field of eight teams in the "Y" tournament last season. Two teams from the W. B. U., three from the Girl Reserves and three from among the gymnasium classes of the "Y" were entered in the tournament. The "T. N. T." aggregation included the following: C. M. Bangsberg, captain, Hilma Smevog, Doris Tollefson, Helen Lavenstein, Mable House and Hulda Lier.

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Water Champs For This Year

SWIMMING champions of the city were determined through the annual aquatic meet held at the Y. M. C. A. during the first week of June. The Junior trophy cup representing the champion swimmer of the class was won by Ernie Kaeppler, the Intermediate cup by Robert Baum and the Senior trophy cup by "Mike" Anderberg.

Following are the events and the winners of each division:

Juniors

150-yard swim—Winner, E. Kaeppler—Time 2 minutes 46 1-5 seconds.

15-yard swim—Winner, E. Kaeppler—Time 10 seconds.

60-yard swim—Winner, E. Kaeppler—Time 53 4-5 seconds.

90-yard breast—Winner, R. Guenther—Time 2 minutes 51 4-5 seconds.

15-yard back—Winner, E. Kaeppler—Time 15 2-5 seconds.

Plunge for distance—Winner, R. Guenther—Distance 33 ft. 6½ in.

30-yard clothes swim—Winner, E. Kaeppler—Time 47 1-5 seconds.

Under water swim—Winner, F. Wolf—Distance 93 feet.

Fancy diving—Winner, F. Wolf—Points 46.

Intermediates

210-yard swim—Winner, R. Baum—Time 3 min. 53 2-5 sec.

Fancy diving—Winner, R. Baum—Points 49.

Under water swim—Winner, F. Goddard—Distance 139½ feet.

30-yard close swim—Winner, F. Goddard—Time 1 min. 20 4-5 sec.

30-yard swim—Winner, R. Baum—Time 20 seconds.

Plunge (distance—Winner, C. Johnson—Distance 37 ft. 3 inches.

100-yard swim—Winner, R. Baum—Time 1 min. 31 2-5 sec.

150-yard breast—Winner, F. Goddard—Time 3 min. 26 seconds.

30-yard back stroke—Winner, R. Baum—Time 32 2-5 seconds.

Seniors

210-yard swim—Winner, M. Anderberg—Time 2 min. 52 1-5 sec.

Fancy diving—Winner, H. Ahrens—Points 52.

Under water swim—Winner, C. McDonald and M. Anderberg, tied—Distance 186 feet.

60-yard clothes swim—Winner, W. Flueck—Time 1 min. 1 3-5 sec.

30-yard swim—Winner, W. Flueck—Time 17 seconds.

Plunge (distance)—Winner, J. Reay;—Distance length in 15 4-5 sec.

100-yard swim—Winner, W. Flueck

150-yard breast—Winner, W. Flueck

30-yard back—Winner, M. Anderberg

SIDELIGHTS ON NORMAL BASKET BALL JOURNEY

Hippo Poscover was right at home in every town the team stayed in. There wasn't a town that half the population didn't know him by his first name.

Joe Shields and Ole Gunderson were the Rudolph Vasolinos on the trip. The girls all thought they were so "cute". At Indianapolis, they had to hire Bill Ress to keep the fairer sex from tearing them apart. Bill could do it too.

Nick Stoneman proved to be the card shark of the trip. Ask him.

Hippo had the nerve to say that Ole Jorgenson was the biggest eater he ever saw. Hippo must have seen himself in a mirror when he said that.

Bill Ress went into a restaurant in Crawfordsville and asked, "What kind of sandwiches have you got."

"Ham and Brain," came the reply.

"What? Brain?" asked Ress. "Give me ham, I don't need no brains. I'm from La Crosse normal."

Nohr and Tubby had trouble keeping track of Dinty Moore. When they found him, he was getting his hair oiled in a barber shop. He spent a great deal of his time in the hair dresser's shop.

HEARD ON THE TRIP

Tubby—"Go out there and play forty minutes of hard basketball and then we get a good night's rest."

Nohr—"Don't worry about when you eat."

Hippo—"Gee, "Tubby," I'm hungry."

Ole—"Got a stamp?"

Joe Shields—"Little hard luck 's all."

Stoney—"Let's go, gang."

Bill Ress—"If this is Illinois, ship me back to the United States."

Jorgenson—"Hit me and take it."

Dinty Moore—"Where a barber shop."

PET HABITS

Tubby—"Smoking Nohr's cigars."

Nohr—"Cutting down expenses."

Ole—"Writing letters."

Joe Shields—"Vamping the women."

Hippo—"Loking through all the papers for write-ups."

Jorgen—"Eating."

Dinty Moore—"Playing poker."

Stoney—"Sleeping." "Losing in poker."

Bill Ress—"Talking (about nothing)" kidding "Hippo."

"BUDDY" M'DONALD AND JIMMY GILL WILL FIGHT HERE

Signed for Windup of Legion Show on Jan. 26; Nuffke and Sauer in Semi-finals

Walter Wold, chairman of the boxing committee of the Roy L. Vingers post of the American Legion, announced Saturday that he had signed "Buddy" McDonald of St. Paul to appear against Jimmy Gill in the ten round final bout of the next ring show of the Legion which is to be staged at Yeomen hall on Friday, January 26.

He also announced that Paul Nuffke, "the Goose Town Bearcat," has been signed to battle Charlie Sauer of Hokah, in the semi-windup event. The rest of the card will be announced later.

VICIOUS STANFORD DEFENSE PREVENTS GREATER TRIMMING

Panthers Carry Ball Within Stanford 20-yard Line Six Times But are Held

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Calif. — The Panther football team from the University of Pittsburgh had little trouble in defeating Stanford university, 16 to 7 here Saturday in the second east-west game of the season on the coast.

Only a vicious Stanford defense prevented the score from being higher. Six times the Pittsburgh backfield carried the ball to within the Stanford 20-yard line and six times Stanford held and punted out to safety.

It was one Warner trained team playing against another and the most experienced eleven won. Glenn Warner, who is coach of the Panthers, is also advisory coach of the Stanford team and comes to take full charge of the eleven in 1924.

Costly Stanford fumbles helped Pittsburgh run up its score Saturday although it is probable that the scores would have been made any way for the Panther backfield tore through the line almost at will during part of the game.

APOPLEXY FATAL TO FOOTBALL FAN

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Calif.—Charles H. Bentley, vice president of the California Packing corporation and prominent resident of San Francisco, died of apoplexy while attending the football game here today between Stanford and Pittsburgh.

HOCKEY PLAYERS MAY NOT CHANGE TEAMS IN LEAGUE

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Where two teams of the United States Amateur Hockey association are from one city, they will not be permitted to transfer players after the league season begins, W. S. Haddock, president of the association, ruled Saturday night on an application of Enright, of the Boston Victorias, to play with the Boston A. A. and Rudolph of the B. A. A., to go over to the Victorias. The residence rule was not involved.

INJURIES WILL NOT KEEP JOE KIRKWOOD OUT OF GOLF TOUR

DELMONTE, Calif.—Slight injuries to three fingers of one hand in an automobile mishap will not prevent Joe Kirkwood, former Australian open golf champion, from continuing his Pacific coast tour with Walter Hagen, British open champion, it was announced here Saturday.

In alighting from a machine Friday, Kirkwood's hand was caught between the door and the side of the car, and the three fingers slightly crushed.

RICHARD COLLINS, MIDSHIPMAN FROM LA CROSSE DISTRICT, MAKES BOXING TEAM IN FIRST YEAR AT ANNAPOLIS

FRIENDS here were pleased to hear recently that Richard Collins, son of Alderman Charles Collins, has been chosen as a member of the Naval Academy boxing team at Annapolis.

According to the story carried by Baltimore papers, Coach Webb, who has charge of the boxing activities at the Naval Academy, had been searching all through the institution to find some one who could be depended upon to make a good showing in the bantam class. Collins showed up best in the tryouts, and was picked as a member of the team.

"Richie" as he is known to his many friends in La Crosse, is a member of the fourth or freshman, class at the academy. He received his appointment about a year ago and left the city last June. Though rather light, he took part in all sorts of athletics in the La Crosse high school and at the Y. M. C. A. He had already made somewhat of a name for himself as an amateur boxer before leaving La Crosse.

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FRATERNAL NOTICES

I.O.O.F.

The members of La Crosse Valley Lodge No. 149 and all Odd Fellows are requested to meet at Odd Fellows' Temple Monday, Jan. 1, 1923, at 1:30 P. M. to attend the funeral of our departed Brother Jos. Riese. Brothers with autos please attend.

J. R. WOLFORD, Secy.

WANTED—MALE HELP

WANT 3 or 4 trucks, 5 to 7 yards for road hauling job. Clayton Co., Iowa. 2 to 10 mile haul. 31 miles in all. Good for 10 weeks' work or more. Write, phone or wire W. S. Cockle, Elkader, Iowa, or C. H. Windsor, Minneapolis. 12 30 1 1

MEN WISHING positions Firemen, Brakemen, Colored Train Porters, on large Wisconsin roads, write for information. $125-$200 month. Experience unnecessary. Inter-Railway, Dept. 504, Indianapolis, Ind. 12 31 31

INTELLIGENT salesman for selling fine food product. Dealer's bonanza. Your opportunity. Exclusive territory. Advertising helps. Steady repeat. Washington Company, 2106 Rust Building, Tacoma, Wash. 12 31 31

GET IN BUSINESS. We start you without capital refinishing chandeliers, beds, autos, mirrors, reflectors, etc., by new method. Write Gunmetal Co., 174 Ohl, Decatur, Ill. 12 31 31

WANTED—At once. Young man for advertising department. High school education absolutely necessary. A job with a future for a real worker. Moen Photo Service, 124 S. 3rd. 12 30 31

MEN WANTING railway station-office positions with transportation furnished, experience unnecessary, write quick. Baker, Supt. Dept. 2?1, Wainwright, St. Louis. hold

GOVERNMENT railway mail clerks. Start $133 month; expenses paid. Specimen examination questions free. Columbus Institute, Columbus, Ohio. 12 3 Sun 12 31

FIREMEN, Brakemen, Baggagemen, sleeping car, train porters (colored). $140-$200. Experience unnecessary. 8?? Railway Bureau, E. St. Louis, Ill. 12 31 31

WANTED—Young man to learn trade and handle furnace. Also girls for bindery work. Leland Ptg. Co. 12 30 31

YOUNG MAN for office work. Apply by letter giving phone number. P. O. Box 725. 12 30 1 1

WANTED—FEMALE HELP

WOMAN—Unusual position in educational department of national organization; ex-teacher or well educated young woman from cultured home can qualify. Must be able to leave home to start. Pleasant, permanent work. Mr. Branch, 1811 Prairie Ave., Chicago. 12 31 31

TRAINED nurses earn $40.00 weekly—we want few more student nurses. Accredited school. Full maintenance. Liberal cash allowance while learning. For full particulars address Supt. Nurses, Ravenswood Hospital, Chicago, Ill. 12 31 31

WANTED—Women to do fancy work at home, spare hours. Material furnished. Good pay. Stamped envelope brings particulars. Underwood Art Goods Company, Portsmouth, Ohio. 12 31 31

WANTED—Ambitious girls to take business or music course. Work way doing housework. Will give room, board and small salary. Paterson Institute, LaGrange, Ill. 12 31 31

SALESLADIES—$?? $? to $? dresses; house to house. Three hours' work daily is netting many women $40 per week. For samples, etc., Pickwick Mfg. Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind. 12 31 31

WOMEN-GIRLS wanted. $100-$195 month. Government jobs. Steady. Write immediately for list positions. Franklin Institute, Dept. 722-R, Rochester, N. Y. 12 3 Sun 12 31

AT ONCE—? ladies to travel, demonstrate and sell dealers; $40 to $75 per week; railway fare paid. Goodrich Drug Co., Dept. 401-F, Omaha, Nebr. 12 3 Sun 12 31

WANTED—Girl to assist with housework and care of children where other maid is kept. Mrs. Albert Funk, 147 So. 13th. Phone 2750-C. 12 29 1 2

WANTED—At once. Girl for general housework. Phone 2080-A. Mrs. Frank Winter, 1625 Madison St. 12 26 1 1

WANTED—Young girl to assist with housework. Free to go home nights preferred. Call 124 So. 11th. 12 30 1 1

COMPETENT MAID wanted; no washing or ironing. Mrs. Ben Ott, 241 So. 17th. Phone 1717-M. 12 27 1 2

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WANTED—Girl for general housework. 401 So. 14th. Phone 679. Mrs. W. A. Thompson. 12 29 1 7

WANTED—Housekeeper on farm. Julius Baumbach, Route 7, Sparta, Wis. 12 30 1 4

SCHOOL GIRL to work for board. Home Restaurant. 12 29 31

WANTED—Girl for restaurant work. 506 Mill. 12 31 1 6

FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE—Property. Cheap. 2128 Farnam. 12 29 31

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CLERKS, 18 upward. For government positions. $120 monthly. Experience unnecessary. For free list positions now open, write R. Terry (former Civil Service examiner), 663 Barrister Bldg., Washington, D. C. 12 30 1 2

TYPISTS—Earn $25-$100 weekly, spare time, copying authors' manuscripts. Write R. J. Carnes, Authors' Agent, Talapoosa, Ga., for particulars. 12 31 31

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TAILORING salesmen. We want 300 more "go-getter" salesmen for 1923 to sell strictly tailored-to-measure $45.00 all wool suits and overcoats direct to wearer for only $28.00. Big commissions and year round position. Sample lines ready January 1. Make application now. National Woolen Mills, Parkersburg, W. Va. 12 31 31

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1,000 POUND hydraulic elevator. Inquire ?? Shoe Store. 12 7 tf

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LOST—?? blue dress panel between ?? Ave. and Badger street. Reward. ?? 12th or 1758-R. 12 29 31

LOST—Child's brown fur mitten on ?? St. between 7th and 10th. 2317-A. 12 31 1 1

LOST—Brown pup. Finder please notify ?? Herlitzka, 512 Hood. 12 30 1 1

LOST—?? coat and army blanket. La Crosse ?? Co. Reward. 12 30 31

LOST—White and tan Angora male cat. Reward. Phone 1025-C. 12 31 1 2

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FOR RENT—Pleasant, modern furnished room with bath. Heated. Suitable for one or two. Also garage. 414 So. 9th. 12 31 1 2

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—In order to keep the first line of the American navy on a par with the sea forces of the other great powers, President Harding asked congress Saturday for a special appropriation of $6,500,000 as a beginning on a battleship modernization program.

The plan marks a change of policy resulting directly from the Washington arms conference and was described by Secretary Denby as of "major and vital importance" in national defense. Before the conference it had been the practice to build new ships rather than modernize old ones, a policy which no longer can be followed, because of the construction limitations imposed by the naval limitation treaty.

Start on 13 Ships

Secretary Denby reported that a detailed study of the problem had been made by navy officers, and that the $6,500,000 asked for would make it possible to begin work on thirteen vessels. Ultimately, he estimated, the program would cost a total of $30,000,000.

No detailed information was given to congress by Mr. Denby or made available at the navy department. It is known, however, that in general the tentative plans call for equipment of all of the fourteen inch gun ships of the fleet with deck protection against aircraft bombs and high angle fire, "blister" protection against torpedo attack, and modernization of main batteries to give them a range now usable with aircraft spotting.

British Have Done It

British ships of the same general type have already been modernized in this way as a result of lessons learned in the war. The work was begun in British navy yards during the war and a specific provision permitting it to be completed, if not more than 3,000 tons was added thereby to the displacement of each ship, was included in the naval treaty.

The new ships which the United States was building and has agreed to scrap under the treaty were equipped with all of the devices which it now becomes necessary to add to the older craft. The new ships would have had main batteries with a range of 34,000 yards and the interior construction of the hulls was calculated to minimize the danger from torpedo attack.

NEW ARMOUR STOCK $99

CHICAGO, Ill.—First actual trading in the $60,000,000 preferred stock of the newly chartered Armour & Company of Delaware, a subsidiary of the Armour & Company, was reported on the Chicago Stock Exchange Saturday. A sale of 100 shares at $99 a share on the basis of when issued, was recorded.

MINNEAPOLIS NEWS SOLD

ST. PAUL, Minn.—Sale of the Minneapolis Daily News to John H. Purry and Richard L. Jones, owners of a string of newspapers, was announced here Saturday at the office of the Clover Leaf Publications company, owner of the News. The change in ownership becomes effective February 1, 1923.

FRENCHMAN BEATS MORAN

PARIS.—Marcel Nilles, the French pugilist, defeated Frank Moran of Pittsburgh Saturday night on points for the heavyweight championship of France.

BOOKS

When I met her first,
I gave her a book of verses.
On her birthday
I gave her a diary;
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Half way between depression and prosperity says Babson.

Famous statistician discusses prices, wages and sales for coming year.

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WELLESLEY HILLS, Mass. — "What's going to happen in 1923?" That question is uppermost in the minds of 1,000,000 American business men and investors who are facing the problem of making plans for the new year.

Roger W. Babson

Signs are not clear and the usual barometers seem to contradict one another. In the face of this general confusion we had best fall back on facts and figures. After a thorough study of the fundamental conditions that govern our market, Roger W. Babson today issued a statement which clears the air and furnishes a basis of fact for your plans.

"We are now at a point in the business cycle," says Mr. Babson, "where you can get almost as many different opinions as there are business men. Some are very bullish for the coming year, and others cannot see much hope for business. The reason for such a situation is that we are at present neither at the top of a boom nor at the depth of a depression. If we were at either of these extremes there would be no question of what the next move would be. As it is, we are about half way between them.

"During the past year United States business has steadily advanced until the average for the whole country is what we usually call 'normal' business. Having advanced thus far, shall we immediately continue into a great prosperity period or shall we go into another period of depression and poor business as some predict?

"If you will only remember the five years preceding 1921 and recall what an enormous orgy of expansion existed, you can see for yourself that it will take some time to get a proper foundation for really good business. We danced during those years, and now we must 'pay the fiddler' his complete bill. Business has really been like a convalescing patient. Everything will go well with the patient if he does not try to get out of bed too soon. If he tries to overdo he will have a relapse. We now have passed the most painful part of the readjustment. The crisis is over, but a process of cost reduction and re-balancing is necessary."

Price Spread is Wide

"Today a wide disparity exists between prices of different commodities, and particularly the spread between producers' and consumers' goods. This is a brake on trade. One half of the people cannot earn enough to buy the goods that the other half has to sell. There are one hundred and six million people in the United States and fifty per cent of them get their living from producing or distributing raw materials. It has thus far been impossible to reduce the prices of finished consumers' goods to meet the cuts on these raw materials. The purchasing power of these people is out of its natural proportion.

It is not entirely a matter of reducing wages, although labor costs are a large factor, nor is it entirely a matter of inefficient management. No, the problem of high costs is not a problem of any one element; and readjustment can come in only one way—drastic competition. All this will take further time.

"Does this mean that there will be no opportunities in 1923? Not a bit! There will be just as many chances to make money as in any year you ever lived. It will be possible for you to make as much during the next twelve months as in any year of your business life, but it will not be along the lines which made money in 1919 and 1920, nor in any other boom year. The profits in 1923 will come by giving attention to details, by stopping the little leaks, by saving here and there thru new labor-saving inventions, and most of all, by devising new and more economical means of distributing goods. This was not at all the situation during the business boom. Then the man who stopped to prevent small leaks found himself caught by the momentous rise in prices and changes in general conditions.

"Those days have passed. They were wild and merry while they lasted. Now business has come back to earth. In most industries, an excessive producing capacity was created. During the boom, overhead costs were increased to keep up with an abnormal turnover. Today the amount of business has dropped back more nearly to normal, but costs have not been proportionately reduced. Higher wages, higher rents, more expensive sales organization—in fact, nearly every item of expense is out of proportion with the amount of business done.

"Instead of wild gyrations in the commodity markets, the average trend thruout the coming year should be more of a sidewise movement. Some commodities are high and others are very low, but the majority at present are about 15 percent above their levels a year ago. A year from now we shall probably find them averaging at about the same level they stand today. In between, there may be a further rally from the low of 1922, and agricultural products certainly should do better."

Earnings Will Be Higher

"Earnings," continued Mr. Babson, "should average somewhat better than in the year just passed. A survey of 100 leading industrial companies, recently made by my Organization, showed that in 1919, 96 percent of these companies made a net profit, while only 4 percent showed a deficit. In 1921, the number of firms which could show a profit was cut down to 48 percent. Over half, or 52 percent of these industrial concerns lost money on their year's business, 1922 has witnessed a change from red ink figures into black ink figures, but the amount of net profits will not be large when the books are finally balanced. We are just getting back onto the right side of the ledger.

"The shortage of labor is one of the worst features of the 1923 outlook. The moment that business works up to average activity it becomes impossible to get sufficient workers. This raises costs and in turn increases commodity prices and the cost of living. The immigration law is largely the cause of this shortage. This law restricts the number of immigrants in a single year to 3 per percent of the total number of respective nationalities already in the United States. Before the war we had an addition of a million immigrants a year. Now we are receiving less than 300,000 and at least 60 percent of these are women, children or other dependents. On the other hand, I doubt if the repeal of this 3 percent Immigration Law is the proper solution of the present labor shortage.

"The real solution is not the repeal of the present immigration law but rather the repeal of the Contract Labor Law for as long a period as the 3 percent law remains in force. This would make it possible for employers to promise selected foreign workers employment before leaving their own homes. The moment that the immigration law is repealed the Contract Labor Law can again be applied.

"There should be no great difficulty in getting ample supplies of bituminous coal this winter. The car shortage is diminishing somewhat. Ample supplies of bituminous coal are being produced, suggesting lower prices. The mischief of this situation lies in the fact that it will again be to the advantage of both miners and operators to close the mines for a time. The difficulties which brought on the strike last year have not been settled. There is serious danger of another strike in the soft coal fields.

"Everybody is worrying about the political situation. There is talk of radical legislation during the coming year. Most of this is merely the echo from campaign speeches. It may be a noisy year. Both the Conservatives and the Radicals have a veto power, but neither is strong enough to push through any extreme measures of its own. The only kind of legislation that will really be enacted is that which will appeal to members of both groups. Already the Federal Reserve Board has issued a ruling, admitting a large amount of agricultural paper for rediscount in the Federal Reserve Banks. The Muscle Shoals problem will probably be settled, either by sale to Henry Ford or by development on the part of the government itself. The Soldier's Bonus will probably be enacted, although no agreement as to the terms or means of raising the money has yet been made. It is improbable that there will be any increase in the amount of business taxes.

"The political aspect has frightened many stockholders, but it is entirely too early to be worried. The thing to watch is fundamental conditions. We are still in a readjustment period. This means that sooner or later we shall work toward better prosperity. It is true that industrial stocks are much higher than a year ago and are certainly not the bargains that they were. However, as I have already stated, certain lines of industry are just getting ready to go forward. The industrial market will be 'spotty' but there are a great many issues that should do better in the coming year.

"The rail group is, relatively, not so far advanced as the industrials. I do not believe rails should be bought indiscriminately, but the rail average will follow up the general market. I am much more attracted to the long-haul roads than to the shorter lines. The motor truck is a feeder for the former but a competitor of the latter. Copper stocks have really not started yet, but the statistical position of the metal is far better than it has been for a long time. Coppers, certainly, are selling at bargain levels.

"Money conditions should continue good. There is no question that the banks are in a strong position. The Federal Reserve Banks today have reserves equal to about 76 percent of their note and deposit liabilities. The reserve required is between 35 percent and 40 percent. It is true, that when foreign countries begin to get on their feet, it will be necessary to send much of this gold back. For the present, however, this gold represents the basis on which a considerable expansion of credit can be built. It guarantees to us a relatively easy money rate, until heavy gold exports are resumed. During the coming year borrowers need have little fear of a lack of funds for all legitimate purposes, and this also applies to long-term money, that is, capital for permanent investment. Mortgage rates during 1923 should work lower. Today, the average rate of real estate mortgages throughout the United States is between 6 percent and 7 percent. The time is not far away when this average will stand between 5 percent and 6 percent.

"Of course, the ease of the money market is distinctly favorable to long-time bonds. There is a point in the business cycle when industry becomes so active that money is absorbed by trade. When this occurs bonds are sold and develop a downward tendency. This point in the cycle has not yet appeared. Moreover, history shows that following the Civil War bond prices, barring temporary fluctuations, rose for a long period, of years, the advance culminating about 1900. From this point, a descent was gradually made to a low point at the end of the European War. Since this low point, history is repeating itself, bonds having reached a middle ground, but still far below the 3.80 or 4 percent basis of the 1900 period. All these factors suggest that well selected bonds, both municipal and corporation, are a distinct purchase.

"Bonds and money," concluded Mr. Babson, "are certainly sound factors in the situation. As for business as a whole, there is no doubt that it will average better this coming year than it did in 1922. This does not mean that there will be any boom, but there will be plenty of money-making opportunties for those who know fundamental conditions."

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'22 BANNER YEAR IN LA CROSSE ROAD CONSTRUCTION WORK

County Prepared to "Carry on" With Plans to Maintain and Build New Highways

MANY MILES OF MACADAM CONSTRUCTED IN THE YEAR

Bond Issue to Aid in Raising Money to Continue 1923 Plans

NINETEEN twenty-two was a banner year in highway construction in La Crosse county and plans are already under way to continue the work started last year throughout the new year.

During the 1922 season of construction work the following was accomplished by La Crosse county: 14.4 miles of 18-foot macadam surfacing; one mile of 15-foot macadam; 17.1 miles of 9-foot macadam; 12 concrete bridges; five concrete culverts; 34 miles of heavy grading and widening; 57 miles of light grading and widening; 12,290 lineal feet of guard rails built along state trunk highways and county trunk lines.

Where Work Has Been Done

Included in these statistics of macadam construction were the widening of the Hunter's road to a width of 18 feet; the widening of the South Salem road, trunk line 21, and the completion of the Schmeckpepper road on the same trunk line; the building of one mile of 15 foot road on the Rockland-Big Creek highway; the Long Coulee road in the town of Farmington; the Smith Valley and Wick Hill roads in the town of Campbell, and the laying of the foundation course on the Adams Valley road project in the town of Burns.

In bridges, the two more important jobs built were the Holmen bridge in the town of Holland, consisting of three forty foot spans, twenty-four feet in width, with elevated sidewalk on each side of the bridgeway; and the Bremmer bridge, a forty foot concrete structure in the town of Campbell on trunk line 21.

At the annual meeting of the county board in November it was voted to issue $240,000 in highway bonds, the amount of which, with other funds, is to be used in maintenance work principally, during the coming year, thus assuring the people of La Crosse county well maintained roads and guarding against any deterioration of road work already done.

Hintgen Reviews Year's Work

"This year is a banner year in the number of miles of 18-foot road built and the number of cubic yards of stone quarried and crushed," said John Hintgen, county highway commissioner, in reviewing the work of the past year. "The county has built fourteen and four tenths miles of eighteen foot road, thirteen and four tenths of which have been made from the old nine foot road. Holmen, Mindoro and South Salem roads are excellent examples of this type of road.

"The county is operating four stone quarries, all of which have already paid for themselves, and besides are placing on the roads, cheaper material than would be possible from any other source.

"How have good roads developed our community? No hesitancy is necessary to answer this question. The proof of the economical value is so self evident that it needs no discussion.

"However, there is another value which citizens in our practical America fail to realize. What has made it possible for the people from far and near to enjoy our hills, coulees, rivers, creeks and farms? What has made it possible for our citizens to enjoy and drink in the beauty of the scene from the Mindoro cut? What has helped in making the scenic views from the St. Joseph ridge accessible? What has made the other numerous beauty spots and drives approachable for real enjoyment?

Maintained Road is Answer

"The maintained surfaced road. The 250 miles of maintained surfaced and graded roads have made it possible for the citizens and tourists, whether owners of bicycles, flivvers, or Pierce-Arrows, to enjoy every beauty spot which La Crosse county possesses. So let us not forget to give the well maintained surfaced road credit in being the 'open doorway' to the natural loveliness with which the county abounds."

The goal set by La Crosse county in highway construction and maintenance is aptly set forth in the report of the members of the state road and bridge committee of the county board, which is composed of Adolph Nuttleman, R. W. Davis, V. S. Keppel, E. W. Guenther and John L. Ash. The report says, in part:

La Crosse Ranks With Leaders

"The rapid progress and the work accomplished during the past year in construction, improvement and maintenance on our county and town highway systems has enabled us to retain the position which we have held as one of the foremost counties in the state in modern road improvement.

"We feel that we are nearing our original goal. Adherence to policies and plans so well formulated many years ago when our road improvement plans were initiated has kept us from the delays incident to indecision and unpreparedness which are frequently the most disturbing factors in any improvement program. We speak of nearing our original goal, not because we are approaching the end of road building or road improvement, but because we have made such progress in laying the foundation of a county system of improved highways serving the majority of the people and the greater portion of the entire geography of the county. Perhaps it will be necessary to set a new goal in keeping with the demands for progress made by the constantly growing traffic using our highways.

Decline in Costs

"The past season has shown a decided decline in the cost of construction and maintenance, despite the fact that the heavier traffic, never anticipated in the earlier days of paved highways, called for more intensive maintenance and the addition of a number of patrol divisions. Costs, however, have long since been secondary to our people whom, we believe, fully realize that improved roads are more important than their cost, by comparison with the cost of bad roads or no roads.

"We have progressed not only consistently with our paving program, but with other associated features of our highway improvement, particularly with the work of grading and widening roads on the county highway system and have also been enabled to aid the towns in grading and widening a large mileage of the more important town roads.

"We are gradually nearing the goal in the construction of bridges in this county, although there remain a number that we may be required to re-build on account of their width, during the next few years. This is noticeable in our budget estimates for the ensuing year which contains no item for a large amount of bridge aid or county bridge construction. Wider roads and roads built to stand the heavier and more intensive traffic, stronger and wider bridges and grade separations wherever possible are among our established standards and are met wherever conditions have pointed out their need and our appropriations have permitted us to proceed.

Adjust Patrolmen's Pay

"The scale of wages for patrolmen was readjusted and slightly reduced from that of former years. Patrolmen with teams are now paid at the rate of from $125.00 for new men to $140.00 for trained men per month. Patrolmen on trucks are paid from $80.00 for new men to $90.00 per month for trained employees. Patrol helpers are paid 30c per hour actual time. The scale of wages for day labor, under the agreement with the chairmen of the several towns, was fixed at the rate of 30c per hour for men and 25c per hour for teams.

"The state prospective highways in the county have all been marked by letters and direction and intersection signs placed upon the more important highway connections throughout the county, and a map of all such markings has been published for the benefit and information of the public. This system of marking county roads has been received by the public with marked approval and has proven that such systems of marking highways are considered a necessary part of present day highway improvement.

"Trunk line highways were kept clear of snow as far as possible during the winter months and with the co-operation of the towns, all main traveled roads in the county were kept open for travel during the past winter season.

Some Safety Measures

"The order of the railroad commission, requiring grade separations on the Wolf and Dutch creek crossings on trunk line 21 in the town of Bangor, has been complied with to the extent that the right of way has been purchased, the bridge and culverts required have been built and it is expected to grade and open the road to travel before the end of the year. The petition filed for protections on the North Salem road and Onalaska crossings over the C. B. & Q. railroad was granted by the railroad commission and crossing watchmen were ordered on the Onalaska and North Salem road crossings, and a safety signal established on the Souht Salem road. At the request of the C. B. & Q. railroad company, the matter of grade separations on the Onalaska and North Salem road crossings was considered.

"A tentative plan was submitted by the railroad company to the committee and the Wisconsin highway commission, providing for a viaduct and the laying out of a new highway extending from a point near the signal tower along and east of the railroad right of way to connect with trunk line 11 in the city of Onalaska. This viaduct would eliminate the use of both the Onalaska and North Salem road crossings. The committee determined that the railroad company should be required to submit a detailed proposal and plan for the grade separations as suggested for further consideration by the committee and the highway commission, and the matter is still pending.

Operation of Quarries

"The Adams valley quarry in the town of Burns was opened at the beginning of the season and has been operated since to furnish stone for the Adams valley road project. The committee purchased ten acres of land for this quarry at a cost of $800.00. It is proposed to use stone from this quarry for widening and resurfacing trunk line 21 north from the village of Bangor to complete the widening of the road, and also for future work contemplated in widening and resurfacing the North Bangor-Salem road.

"The quarry rights and right of way for the Severson quarry in the town of Farmington were secured, but the quarry has not as yet been opened and operated. The committee deems it advisable for the present to use stone from the Lewis quarry in the widening and resurfacing of trunk line 108 leading to Minioro, of which there remains to be completed about two and one half miles.

"Limestone has been furnished to the farmers of the county from the Wolf quarry and the Holland quarry. About eight hundred tons have been sold to farmers from the Holland quarry and about one hundred tons from the Wolf quarry."

GETTING ALONG WITH LESS MEAT

There has been noted among German people a very decided tendency to get along with less meat than formerly which is borne out by the official figures. The average per capita of meat consumption in Prussia in 1913 amounted to more than 101 pounds, whereas in 1921 it was less than 63 pounds. This is due to many reasons but the principal one is that the meat has not been attainable. To supply this want the officials of the German government have recently entered into a contract with the Argentine government to supply 50,000 tons of mutton and 60,000 tons of beef annually, to be paid for in German goods.

An Aid to Appetite

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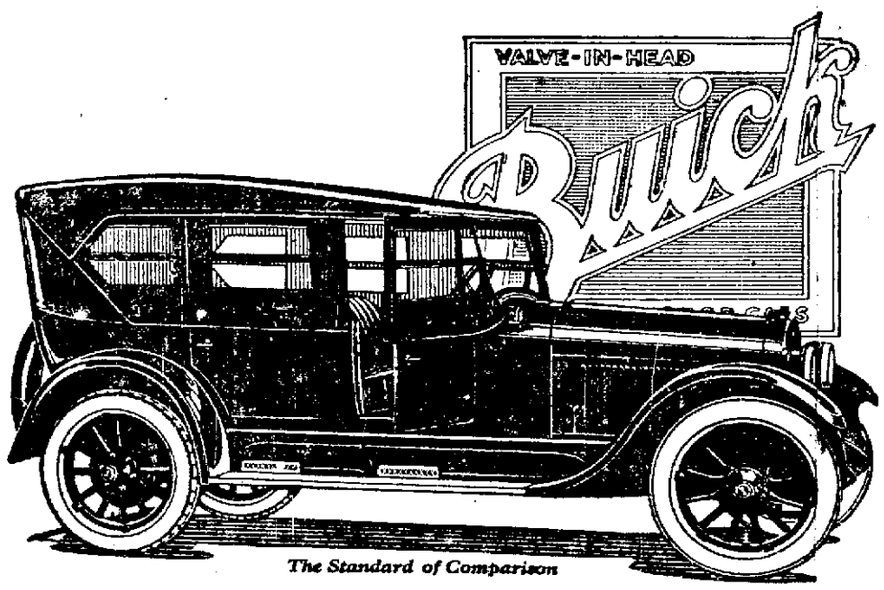

The Standard of Comparison

A Double Protection

In addition to fitting perfectly without a gap, the storm curtains on Buick open models are provided with a weather strip or flap which seals the joint so that wind or rain cannot penetrate. Buick open cars, with the curtains in place, have no cracks for cold to penetrate. They are as nearly weather tight as any open car can be.

Driving Comfort in Winter

The Buick "Model 45" Six Cylinder—$1195

As complete as has been the development of the enclosed car, Buick designers have not neglected to improve the open type of car, building into it a measure of comfort, convenience and weather protection surpassed only by the more expensive closed vehicle.

Protection against wind and snow is assured by the snug-fitting storm curtains that open with the doors. The Buick design of storm curtains with a special weather strip provides a coziness, comparable to that of any closed car, while windshield wiper and tight fitting windshield, adjustable from within, make driving safe and comfortable.

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	23-45, - - 1195	23-48, - - 1895	23-54, - - 1625
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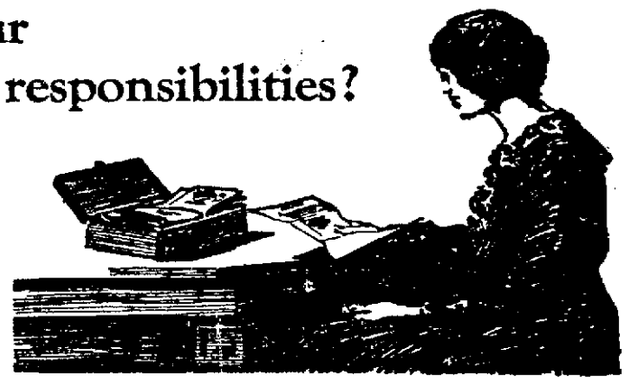

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